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HONOR IS HIS GOAL



IT'S SMART TO HIRE THE PAROLEE!

We asked artist Jim Janeway (who gives the National Health and Welfare's Smoking and Health campaign its light-hearted approach) to come up with some ideas for poster material for us. The above is one example he submitted while another is on the inside back cover. We invite your comments addressed to Information Officer, National Parole Board, Ottawa, Canada.

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Editor's comment

Editors, like expectant parents, find that naming the new "baby" can be quite a headache. We chose "Insight" because it is the word we hear so often in our work. One of our correspondents, with tongue in cheek, sent their material to us marked "Walford's World Wide Whisper" but modesty (?) presents us from using this.

"Insight" is also used in both English and French, so we are told, and we wanted the title to reflect our bilingual material, as well as being somewhat original both business wise and journalistically.

Many names are brilliant and appropriate in their place - Floodlight or Illuminator (electric utilities), Bank Notes (a bank, naturally), Long Lines (telephone), Chirps (poultry firm) are a few.

We could have put names on slips of paper into a hat and drawn one, but there was the chance this newsletter could have been called Six and Three-quarters. But then there was a movie called 8½!

Walford D. Reeves

HEADQUARTERS

Wedding bells for Valerie Evans. The lucky fellow is Ken Butcher a Structural Draftsman and the date is June 1, 1968. We wish them all the best.

File received in the pool the other day with a note saying "HOW ABOUT A DATE" and signed by one of our Parole Analysts. Much to the disappointment of the Steno he was referring to a PS-48.

Five new girls have joined the staff this month.

In the Pool: Elaine Wilson and Pat Butler.

In Notifications: Louise Villeneuve, Claire Hulme and Arlette Robinson.

Much talk from the men about wanting their own Steno's - funny thing Steno's feel the same way - too bad they can't get together.

Judy Elichuk

HEADQUARTERS

TRAVAILLAIT DANS L'OMBRE:

Le Secrétariat d'État a remis "La Médaille du Centenaire" avec certificat à monsieur Donat Renaud de Pointe-Gatineau pour son dévouement à la chose publique depuis une dizaine d'années.

Donat s'est également mérité une médaille de "L'Ordre du Mérite Scolaire" décernée par la Fédération des commissions scolaires de la province de Québec pour services rendus dans le domaine de l'éducation.

L'adjoint spécial de monsieur Gérard Genest à la surveillance des libérés conditionnellement, travaille au quartier général depuis bien avant la formation de la Commission. Il compte 25 années de service à la fonction publique.

Ses loisirs comportaient sa collaboration aux affaires publiques de Pointe-Gatineau et ce, depuis de nombreuses années dans les domaines municipal, scolaire et culturel. On a vu ce père de famille de 7 enfants au bureau de direction de la Caisse populaire, au conseil municipal comme échevin et à la Commission scolaire où il joue encore un rôle de premier plan. Il s'est dévoué sans compter à l'organisation de loisirs sains dans sa municipalité.

Un parc-école porte son nom, il est présentement commissaire d'école à Pointe-Gatineau, président du bureau des délégués de la C.S.R.O. et président honoraire de l'Association des commissions scolaires des territoires de Papineau et de l'Outaouais dont il a été antérieurement l'âme dirigeante.

Ceux du bureau qui connaissent notre héros du jour se réjouissent que de tels honneurs lui échoient. Donat a toujours travaillé dans l'ombre au bureau comme dans les affaires publiques. Ils sont unanimes à reconnaître son souci du détail, sa compétence et son efficacité à remplir son devoir d'état.

Bravo Donat!

MINI-DIAPERS – NOT SO MINI-DIAPERS

Pierre Beaudry's wife had a baby-girl. Noel Malloy did not sleep at the Staff College in Kingston where all male representatives did. DOC moved out of the College to sleep at a downtown motel.* Alf. Paulin is learning to stick out his tongue from his vivacious English teacher. Say the.. the.. the.. the..

*(Is there a connection?)

Fern Albert

FROM THE DORCHESTER BEACON

DEFINITION OF MINNIE PAROLE:— Not long enough to try for, and not short enough if you did get it...

STAFF TRAINING CONFERENCE BANFF, ALTA. SEPT. 17-22, 1967



Standing – left to right

Miss M. Yaremy (Vancouver), R.O. Bishop (Vancouver), B.A. Radigk (Regina), W.F. Carabine (Ottawa), D.M. Cernetic (Vancouver), N. Jackson (Calgary), F.R. Mullally (Calgary), R. Harshman (Calgary), J.W. MacLean (Edmonton), J. Hawthorne (Vancouver), B.K. Stevenson (Vancouver), G.A. McClymont (Abbotsford), P.D. Redecopp (Vancouver).

Front row – left to right

J.H. Leroux (Ottawa), C.E. Dumaine (Winnipeg – now at Laval), R.R. Gillies (Prince Albert), G.W. Hamblin (Winnipeg), W.J. Mussell (Abbotsford), J.E.D. Selkirk (Vancouver), H.K. Caslor (Prince Albert).
L.G. Dryden (Vancouver) – taking picture

FROM WIN MILLS COLUMN – OTTAWA CITIZEN

The city side:

Cold weather notes: Parole Board and Solicitor General department workers are complaining about climatic conditions in the new Sir Wilfrid Laurier Building on Laurier, into which they were recently shifted. Third floor occupants were sent home because of the cold (and that was LAST week) while some second floor employees found themselves stripping to shirt sleeves in temperatures of 80 degrees, and with sealed windows.

In other offices on the same floor, says our informant, while some workers became ill with the heat, others found their windows had frosted over on the inside... A climate for every taste!

This little gem came from Kyle Stevenson. It is an excerpt from a letter from an inmate's wife:

"If he could pay some of it now and be given time to pay the balance, would it be possible for him to get a passionate release or parole before Christmas?"

CENTENNIAL MEDALS

We are particularly proud of our Board and staff members who were awarded the Centennial Medal for their work in the Parole Service and the field of corrections. Several other employees were recommended but unfortunately there were not sufficient Centennial Medals allotted to this department to include them.

The recipients were:

*T.G. Street, Q.C., Chairman,
J.A. Edmison, Q.C.,
E. Dion, Q.C.,
Miss M.L. Lynch, Q.C.,
G.A. Tremblay,
F.P. Miller,
B.K. Stevenson,
J.E.G.A. Therrien,
C.A.M. Edwards,
W.F. Carabine.*

And speaking of awards, the personnel office is looking into the situation of staff members who are to be awarded 25 year pins for service within the Public Service Commission.

WELCOME

We welcome to our staff the Chairman's new Secretary, Mrs. Margot Lebleu.

Mrs. Lebleu has had considerable experience inside the Government. She has been a Secretary to several Ministers; Secretary to the Chief Electoral Officer; Secretary to The Hon. Mark Drouin; and Private Secretary to the former Minister of Justice, The Honourable Lucien Cardin.

Outside the Government, she has been a public stenographer, and Secretary to a bank manager.

Not only does she have all this experience but would you believe she has been a fashion and photographic model! You will believe it when you see her. Incidentally, she has offered to assist us in searching for Miss National Parole Board in the forthcoming R.A. Queen Contest, by giving some tips in deportment and poise to our contestants.

What you will not believe is that she has five children, whom she adores.

To keep in shape (and this would be a tip to all you girls) she plays tennis and rides a bike. She also enjoys reading and playing the piano.

Mrs. Lebleu was recently nominated on the Board of Administration of "Le Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel de Hull".

"THE SAGA OF CHARLIE MCCOFFUS"

A Parole Service man named Charlie McCoffus,
Worked all day and all night in the field and the office,
Checking complaints, and vouchers, estimates too,
To be picked all to bits by the Ottawa crew.

For the boys at Ottawa in the double-lensed specs,
Their sallow complexions and white collar necks,
Care not for the time or the money they waste,
If a carbon is missing, a comma misplaced,
They bounce back the papers with joyous elan,
To harass the hard-working Parole Service man.

To get back to Charlie, he struggled along
Till an ache in his head told him something was wrong.
He went to a doctor and "Doctor" said he,
"There's a buzz in my brain — what's the matter with me?"

Well, the medico thumped as medicos do,
And he tested his pulse and his reflexes too,
And his head and his heart, and his throat and each lung,
And Charlie said "A-H-H-H" and stuck out his tongue.
And the doctor said, "God, what a narrow escape,
But a quick operation will put you in shape."

"Your brain's overworked like a motor run down
And you're flirting with death every time you turn round,
I must take out your brain for complete overhauling —
In the interim you take a rest from your calling."

So Charlie McCoffus went under the knife,
He struggled home brainless and kissed his own wife,
While the good old physician and two other men
Were putting his brain back in order again.

Well, the weeks rolled by and Charlie McCoffus,
Never called for his brain at the medico's office.
The doctor got worried, gave Charlie a ring,
Said, "You'd better come over and get the damned thing."
"Thanks, Doc, I don't need it," said Charlie McCoffus,
"I'm being transferred to the Ottawa office."

So Charlie now wears a white collar to work
And he hides in the lairs where the auditors lurk
And his letters bring fear as they alone can
To the heart of each hard-working Parole Service man.
And the pride and joy of the Ottawa office
Is brainless, predacious young Charlie McCoffus!

NATIONAL PAROLE BOARD BOWLING LEAGUE (Ottawa)

The National Parole Board Bowling League, comprising 40 bowlers, is now in its sixth year of activity. 90% of the participants are members of the staff, the remaining 10% being ex-staff members and friends.

The League Leaders to date are:

<u>Ladies</u>		<u>Men</u>	
J. Lett	- 191	P. Beaudry	- 213
M. Watt	- 185	G. Foster	- 212
H. Villeneuve	- 184	S. MacDonald	- 211

Highest scores to date:

M. Watt	- 679	G. Foster	- 854
M. Watt	- 272	G. Foster	- 373

Winners of the first half ending December 1967, were Fern Albert's team with Stan MacDonald's team being runners up.

Last year the League entered a team in the Annual Bowling Proprietors Tournament, with over 100 teams participating, and were placed 12th in the final standings. This year the League proposes to enter two teams.

PRINCE ALBERT

1967 has been a very busy year for the staff at the Prince Albert Regional office with all phases of our activities increasing rather dramatically over the past year. The bright spot for us this past year was the opening of the Regina District Office.

Mr. Keith Wright, formerly of our office, was appointed Officer in Charge, and while we were all very happy for him at this appointment, we were somewhat sad to lose a pleasant and congenial co-worker.

Mr. Bruno Radigk, who was appointed Mr. Wright's assistant in Regina, was with us for two months, July and August, learning the tricks of the trade. We also had Mr. Dave Borrowman with us for 3½ months this summer under the "Student Intern Program". At the end of August, Mr. Radigk and Mr. Borrowman, and one of our secretaries, Mrs. Pat Bryshun, left our office, thus considerably dwindling our ranks and leaving us short staffed, and the very hectic pace which characterized the entire summer slowed down a good deal. Mr. Wright and Mr. Radigk have both been very helpful in the past few months in assisting with the interviewing workload of parole applicants at Saskatchewan Penitentiary.

On December 1, 1967, Miss Doreen Delorme joined our stenographic staff. Miss Delorme previously worked as a sales clerk and as a meat packer and wrapper, and has recently decided to launch herself on a stenographic career. After completing her business course, she joined our Service. We are very happy to welcome her to our office, and hope she will be with us for a long time to come.

On January 2, 1968, Mr. Arthur P. Rowe joined our staff as Parole Officer. Mr. Rowe was formerly in the ministry, being the Anglican Rector of the Parish of Mortlach, west of Moose Jaw, Sask., prior to joining the staff and a hearty welcome is also extended to him.

Bob Gillies



As part of our first contribution to our "Staff News Letter" we are enclosing a photo of the staff at Prince Albert. Standing in the back row, from left to right, Mr. H.K. Caslor, Mr. Arthur P. Rowe, Mr. R.R. Gillies, front row, left to right, Miss Doreen Delorme, Mrs. Yvette Coroy, Mr. Lorraine Hrynuik.

VANCOUVER

Perhaps my trip to Montreal to attend the National Committee meeting of the Canadian Corrections Association would be of interest. The B.C. Corrections Association will be co-sponsoring the Canadian Congress of Corrections to be held in Vancouver in June, 1969. I have taken on the Planning Committee Chairman's job, and Dr. Malcolm Matheson, Assistant Director of Corrections in B.C. has been appointed Programme Committee Chairman. We have a busy time ahead!

On January 16th and 17th I was pleased to be able to visit Headquarters where I tired myself out travelling the miles between Mr. Miller's and Mr. Carabine's offices. I was happy to return to the 55° weather in Vancouver after experiencing the storms in Montreal and Ottawa!

You might pick other items out of my Quarterly-Annual Report of January 26, 1968 which could be of interest. For example our University of British Columbia School of Social Work Unit now has 5 Master Degree Students and 4 first-year students with a faculty field instructor. We now have three former students on staff who did their field placement in this office. They are David Dryden, Colin Sheppard and Lyle Bogren.

Another "gain" for our Service has been a Masters Thesis by a group of four students this year on "A Cost and Manpower Analysis of a Mandatory Release System in Canada." Also two of the first year students have applied to work with us on a summer Internship basis this year.

B.K. Stevenson

OTTAWA-HULL

GREETINGS — Fellow Canadians!

Finally, here we are, at long last, the latest addition to the family in 1967.

On October 2nd, we recorded our first steps under father Aussie's careful guidance. We left home with a full suitcase of 66 growing pains, of which to take care, and, since then, we have seen ourselves forced to run before we could even barely walk, having to carry an additional bag of 30 or so new cases under direct supervision.

Taught by our experienced and nearby grandparents, we have grown, within these few months, into an attractive, mature, efficient, self-supporting, cigarette rolling District Office in full bloom.

At the moment, we are enjoying common-law union with three very prosperous and willing middle-aged agencies by the name of Miss Ontario Probation Service, with a forever growing family of 35 children, Miss Ontario Rehabilitation Service, herself caring for 13 wonderful children, and also lovely Miss John Howard Society, doing a great job educating the 25 members of her family.

Worth mentioning is the fact that, because of our family's present financial situation, it was suggested by Senior Counsellors, that the subject for the moment, preferably make use of staff control pills until further advised.

All in all though, in spite of a few aches and bruises on the way up, we have come out in ship-shape form and managed to keep afloat of things, throwing the anchor on a few extras when the opportunity presented itself.

Therefore, in the circumstances, as newcomers in the field, we warmly extend our greetings to all across the country, and will *wholeheartedly* welcome any help or assistance from all our brothers from coast to coast.

J.-Paul Lupien

OTTAWA-HULL

Voici en bref quelques renseignements pertinents sur le bureau d'Ottawa-Hull.

Ouvert depuis le 2 octobre 1967, nous comptons actuellement environ 100 personnes sous notre juridiction, de ce nombre 30 sont surveillées directement.

Notre situation géographique nous permet de vivre intensément le bilinguisme sous toutes ses formes. Un petit inconvénient à notre situation géographique cependant: on serait porté à croire que la proximité physique du quartier général nous rend privilégié, sous certains aspects peut-être, cependant il arrive très souvent que nous soyons les derniers à connaître les activités de coulisse.

Quelques mots sur le personnel:— Il me fait plaisir de souligner la remarquable beauté physique des membres du bureau (votre serviteur inclus). De plus, avec une moyenne d'âge de 24 ans, et un potentiel intellectuel et technique considérable, il constitue une des équipes les plus dynamique et prometteuse au pays.

J.-Paul Lupien

VICTORIA

Mr. Thomas A. Blackwood, Parole Service Officer, joined us on December 1, 1967.

Mr. Blackwood came to us from the B.C. Probation Service where he was an adult probation officer for some 9½ years — further, his social work experience includes one year as a medical social worker with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, 1½ years with Family and Children's Service in Victoria, and 1½ years with Victoria City Welfare.

He has a B.A. and B.S.W. from the University of British Columbia and is a Hong Kong veteran.

His outside interests include fishing and the army militia in which he holds the rank of major as a personnel selection officer. A native of Saskatchewan, Tom is 48 years of age, is married and has a son aged 20 and a daughter aged 8.

M.B. Gaw,

We get letters — —

Dear Sir,

I am an ex-con, whose life has been successful because I have found employment of what suites (suits) me best.

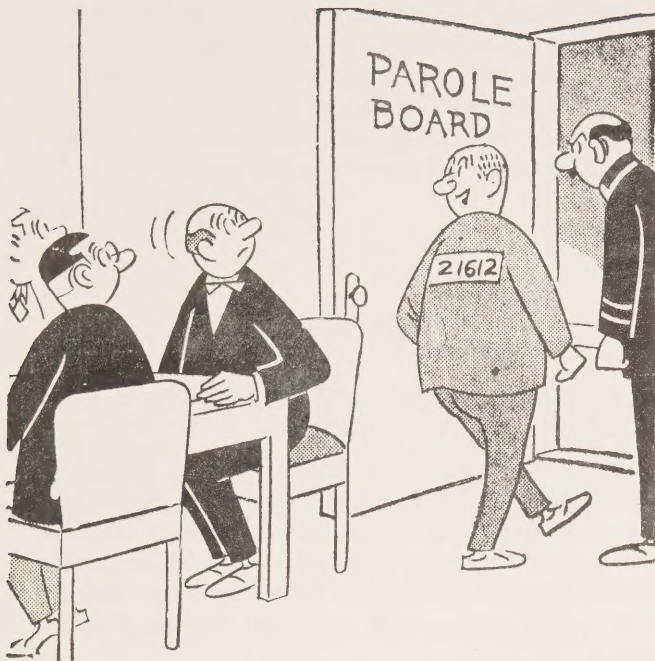
I would like very much to say when I was in rehabilitation (rehabilitation) centres I did not have the know how of finding good jobs and this was the footings of the life of crime, I feel, and I know now, that this is a big problem with lots of fellows that are in that situation now.

I would like to say if the National Employment Service was available with jobs at their Parole date, I believe a lot of fellows wouldn't be repeaters! Thanks,

Yours sincerely

an X-con.

Keep those cards and letters coming!



*"Well, if you should happen to change your minds,
you know where to get in touch with me."*

MONCTON

Greetings from the Wild East!

FLASH: Mr. MacNeil appointed newspaper reporter.

FLASH: Mr. MacNeil sick.

FLASH: Substitute Sullivan run in.

OFFICE PERSONNEL

3 beautiful single girls (one engaged). One bachelor (disengaged).

One old, and one young, married man.

Among other shortages in the Maritimes is marriage-able men.

Weather Report: Since mid-November, snow and cold.

Weather Prediction: More and more snow)

More and more cold) changing to

Rain August 15, 1968.

One Month Ago Today:

Parole Board Christmas Party — overwhelming success

— participants overwhelmed.

J. Sullivan

HAMILTON

The Regional Representative Mr. Richard G. Wallace was elected Chairman of the Hamilton Social Planning and Research Committee on Corrections in September, 1967. He is a member of the Advisory Committee on the new proposed course for social welfare at Mohawk College, one of the new technology schools for this area.

In the fall of 1966 Mr. Wallace and his family moved to their new mountain home in Hamilton and we understand that last summer was spent in landscaping and completing the decorating of the interior of their home.

Our new Parole Service Officer is Mr. Reginald Ryan, age 28, married, who began work here in the middle of September, 1967. He is a graduate of St. Mary's University, Halifax, where he played for the school hockey team. Upon graduation he enrolled at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. where he will be completing his Master's Degree in Criminology in the near future. Work experience includes three summers working for the Department of Welfare in Newfoundland and one year as a Special Services Officer at Canadian Manpower in Cornerbrook, Newfoundland.

In Hamilton Mr. Ryan has joined the local Press Club and has continued his interest in music by taking instructions in the clarinet.

John Lawrence who has been working for the Service since March, 1966 is a Member of the Board of Directors of the Central Ontario Branch of the Ontario Association of Professional Social Workers for 1967/68 and is also Vice President of the Hamilton Rosedale Tennis Club for 1968.

Mrs. Anne Munro left our office in September, 1967 as her husband began work in Toronto with the Ontario Hydro.

Mrs. Carole Sibley was hired on October 24, 1967. Mrs. Sibley formerly worked for the Unemployment Insurance Commission in Toronto to 1952. She is married and has one child, a girl aged 11 years.

Our youngest member of the staff Miss Linda Lewis who began work in November, 1966 is active in the community as treasurer of her Sunday School.

Mrs. Iris Sloan, who commutes daily from Burlington, has an interest in oil painting and promises to bring us some of her work in the future to decorate our new offices.

Incidentally Mr. Wallace has negotiated with the Department of Public Works for us to move our office to the relatively new and rather exclusive Terminal Towers building in downtown Hamilton which is located relatively close to the Hamilton Probation Service and Magistrates' Court.

John H. Lawrence



- First Row** – J.F. Townesend (Ottawa), Miss A. Phene (Toronto), Mrs. D. Yeo (Kingston), Miss N. Malloy (Ottawa), J.H. Leroux (Ottawa), L.L. England (Ottawa), J.F. Unroe (Halifax), H. Elibrachy (Toronto)
- Second Row** – M.D. Steinburg (Kingston), A.C. MacNeil (Moncton), R. Ryan (Hamilton), A.A.D. Robertson (Kingston), C.C. Brooks (Kingston), O. Fonseca (Ottawa), L.W. Hunt (Kingston)
- Third Row** – D.H. Johnston (Ottawa), B. Palamedes (Ottawa), J.H. Lawrence (Hamilton), I.A.M. Hermiston (Toronto), D.K. O'Connell (Ottawa), K.K. Munich (Toronto), D.G. Church (Toronto), D. Cumpson (Ottawa)

GRANBY

Unfortunately, I have no explosive news to report, except that my former assistant, Miss Rollande Filion was transferred to the Montreal Regional office on February 5th (she was just coming back from a nice trip in Florida – what a lucky person!). I want to take that opportunity to express publicly my acknowledgement for the very competent work she did with our office. We will all keep here an enlightened “souvenir” from Miss Filion.

I must add that, due to special blessing from heaven I suppose, we have been able to find a new assistant for this office in a very small delay. Mr. Raymond Houde, a former classification officer at the Cowansville Institution began with us on February 12 as a Parole Service Officer. Needless to say he is more than welcome.

I will close that short letter with the warm greetings from each staff member in this office, Nicole (Paquette), Huguette (Dumais), Raymond (Houde) and myself.

Luc Genest

ABBOTSFORD

The Abbotsford District Office, first of its kind, has only been in existence 18 months but already we are Number 3 in the country in number of parolees under direct supervision, next after Montreal and Vancouver, which isn't bad at all for a village with a population of only 792!

William Mussell, who joined the parole service in November 1966 and transferred to Abbotsford in July 1967, married Karen De Long at Chilliwack, B.C. on December 23, 1967. Karen teaches grades one and two in the Abbotsford School District. Bill is Chief Councillor of the Skwah Band at Chilliwack.

Grace McClymont spent Christmas in Hawaii with her husband. They bought property at Kuanakaikai, Molokai, with an eye to the future.

John A. Phillips

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Office had a great deal of comings and goings during 1967. First of all with regard to Parole Service Officers, Marinus Begieneman joined our staff in July 1967, having come from the Edmonton Office of the National Parole Service. He and his wife are now settled in Winnipeg and he is engaged in studying at the University of Manitoba School of Social Work while working half time with the National Parole Service. Mr. Begieneman is married, has three children and is a graduate of the University of Alberta. On January 1, 1968, Mr. Jim Phelps joined our staff as a Parole Service Officer. He received his M.A. in Psychology from the University of Manitoba in 1967 and for the past year has worked as Psychologist at the Regina Correctional Institute. He is married but unfortunately he has had to leave his wife behind in Regina while she is completing her studies. We look forward to meeting her in the spring of 1968. Outside of his work his major interests are bowling, bridge and swimming.

Mr. Claude Dumaine who has been with this office as a Parole Service Officer since November 1966 was transferred to the Laval Office as District Officer in October 1967. He will be a great loss to our office but will undoubtedly be of great advantage to the Laval Office.

Secretarial staff. Miss Machika Koga who had been with us since April 1966 was transferred to another Department in the Federal Government in April 1967. Taking her place is our charming little Lynn Clark who has been of great service to the office. She is married and her husband works with the Treasury Branch. Also joining our staff as secretary is Mrs. Margaret Scott, with whom we are well pleased. She has experience in working with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board and the City of St. James and also in the business world. She is active in the Roman Catholic Church and is very concerned about her community and the mental health program.

Continuing on staff has been Mrs. Dorothea Desormeaux who has been of great benefit to us in her work.

We took over new quarters in August 1967 and are now very happy to have accommodation complete with air conditioning.

We were very pleased to welcome some visitors from Ottawa last year including Miss Lynch, Mr. Fonseca and Mr. Carabine. The visits were rewarding and it was a good opportunity to meet the people with whom we have a great deal to do over such a long geographical distance.

Mr. Rempel our Regional Representative has happily been able to spend some time with us in between his curling and conferences. However, he did attend a Middle Management Course at Carlton Place in October, November 1967 and has been able to apply this experience in the office to good advantage. We were sad to hear of the death of his mother in January 1968 and to him we extend our warmest sympathy. On the happier side Mr. Rempel is looking forward to the marriage of his eldest daughter in August 1968.

The staff had several functions together during 1967 including a welcoming party for new staff in the spring, a going away party in September and a Christmas party in December. These occasions were very enjoyable and gave us a good opportunity to get together on an informal basis.

All in all 1967 was a good year in terms of the development of the office and we are looking forward to 1968 being a year of further development.

G.W. Hamblin

EDMONTON

This last year has been characterized by many fluctuations in Staff. The Regional Representative, Mr. Lyle Howarth, resigned from the Service to accept a position as Research Coordinator at the Mount Royal Junior College, Calgary in September 1967. Mr. M. Begieneman was transferred to the Winnipeg office in early July, to work part-time and to carry his education further towards an M.A. degree. Mr. Ed Schweitzer resigned from the Service in late July and moved to Ontario.

I came into the Edmonton Regional Office as Parole Service Officer, one week prior to the departure of Mr. Howarth. Replacements have not been found for Mr. Howarth's position or for Mr. Begieneman's position.

The staff here is now made up of one Parole Service Officer (myself) one Steno 4 (Mrs. W.M. Wolanski, who is secretary and supervisor of the General Office) and two Steno 3s.

Mrs. Wolanski (otherwise known as Wendy) has just completed an evening course entitled "Human Factors in Supervision and Management" at the University of Alberta, with a first-class standing. She has managed to do this despite the obvious increase in responsibilities due to the departure of the Regional Representative and addition of new staff, myself and Miss Carmichael.

A Cupid's arrow penetrated the interior of the Regional Office and struck the heart of Lynne Stewart, who is now happily married to one Brian Jordan. We hope she will retain this alias indefinitely.

In September Miss Diane Carmichael joined the staff of the Edmonton Regional Office. She came to us from the Provincial Government Service.

The staff of the Edmonton Regional Office expresses the wish that this Newsletter will become a valuable source of communication within the Service and will strengthen the ties of friendship between all personnel across Canada.

J.W. MacLean

KINGSTON

Romance, education, departures and arrivals all struck this Regional Office in a period of less than one month.

Returning from the Christmas "break", Miss Heather Tyner (Steno Pool) explained how "Santa Claus" (in the person of LaVern Wayte of Kingston) had given her a "left hand" ring. No marriage plans have been revealed but ---- well, we'll wait.

On December 1st, 1967 Mr. M.A. Sherif, Parole Service Officer here since the spring of 1967, terminated his employment with the National Parole Service and has left for parts unknown.

The office suffered another loss at the end of January when Mr. John Nugent moved to Sudbury, Ontario to assume the responsibilities of District Officer in shiny new quarters. Prior to his departure, "John and Julie" were guests of honour at a farewell supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.A.M. Edwards, Regional Representative. Mr. Edwards, on behalf of the Office Staff, presented John with a desk pen set and, in his usual inimitable manner, expressed our best wishes to the Nugents.

All was not subtraction during the month, January also saw the addition of two new staff members when Mrs. Dalia Yeo and Mr. Andrew A.D. Robertson "took out their papers".

Mrs. Yeo was born in Lithuania and emigrated to Canada in 1948. She attended schools in Toronto and in 1963 graduated from the University of Toronto with an honours B.A. in Sociology. Mrs. Yeo completed course work in Post Graduate Sociology at Carleton University (Ottawa) before joining the Penitentiary Service in 1964 as a Classification Officer at the Prison for Women. From 1965-66, she was a Group Counsellor at Matsqui Institution in British Columbia. Completing work for her Masters Degree in 1966, Mrs. Yeo returned to the Prison for Women in 1967 as Senior Classification Officer and transferred to the local office of the N.P.S. in January.

"Andy" Robertson was born in Montreal, Quebec. He attended Lower Canada College prior to receiving his B.A. from McGill University. From "La Belle Province" Andy went to Toronto and received his L.L.B. Degree in 1966. In July of 1967, while working for the J.M. Russell Law Firm in Calgary, he was admitted to the Bar of Alberta. Andy is a bachelor who says "he is 25 years of age and that saves you figuring it out".

The Kingston Office Staff welcomes both Mrs. Yeo and Mr. Robertson to 525 King Street West.

One final "bit of news" which we are sure other offices will mention but which had special effect on this office: All Parole Service Officers here attended the Staff Training Conference at Calderwood Staff College (Ontario) from January 21st-26th. We thoroughly enjoyed meeting colleagues from other offices and discussing mutual areas of concern. It was a delight to show many visitors through our new quarters.

That just about covers the news from Kingston. As one Officer from the Maritimes would say "Until next time ----- whatever".

M.D. Stienburg



"And then one day I realized that I could channel my aggressive drives into socially acceptable patterns of behavior."

REGINA

For the edification of the unaware, the Regina District Office began functioning as a viable entity on July 17, 1967. At that time the staff consisted of Mrs. Dora Mahoney, the stenographer, and Keith Wright, the officer in charge. Both of us arrived on the morning of July 17th to find three very barren rooms. Fortunately the local Department of Public Works came to our rescue and provided us with some used furniture, later to be replaced by a goodly supply by the Canadian Government Supply Service. At the time of writing we are still holding Len Good responsible for one typewriter desk; with luck that should arrive by our first anniversary.

In September Bruno Radigk joined our office, after having completed a two-month orientation program in the Prince Albert Regional Office. Bruno had been classification officer at the Correctional Centre in Regina for the past five years, and prior to that worked as a group worker for approximately eight years. Bruno also has considerable notoriety as a baseball umpire in Regina, and no doubt this experience will be utilized in his new duties as parole supervisor.

Mrs. Mahoney, transferred to our service from ARDA, who relocated from Regina to Winnipeg in the summer of 1967. Since Mrs. Mahoney did not want to relocate along with them, she decided to join our staff.

We officially opened on the evening of November 22nd, and were quite pleased to have Frank Miller with us for that occasion. Frank was also presented with a "Buffalo Days" hat by Mayor Baker, so the office was launched with style. The office was almost opened without the presence of Bruno Radigk and Keith Wright, however, when attempting to construct Walford Reeves' display panels the whole structure came crashing down. However, like true residents of the Canadian West, we repaired the display with hay wire, and I might add that the resulting structure was considered more stable and secure than the original!

During the past couple of months, things have been relatively quiet around this part of the country, particularly since the Christmas and New Years celebrations have now past.

Here endeth the report.

Keith Wright.

HALIFAX

We have almost had a complete overhaul of staff, and even staff remaining were somewhat rejuvenated by the Christmas Party.

Jim Brown left the service in November, and while employed with the National Parole Service, he made a valuable contribution. His favourite expressions of "Rinky Dinks" and "Honeys", and his case load were taken over by Mr. John Unroe.

During this year we saw many of the brass from headquarters including Mr. Miller, Mr. Tremblay, Mr. Street, Mr. Edmison, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Genest, the Solicitor General, and the Deputy Solicitor General. Most of these were met at the Canadian Congress of Corrections in Halifax.

We also received much publicity for the first Day Parole in the Maritimes and in the Province of Nova Scotia.

The District Office in Newfoundland was officially opened by Mr. Tremblay in September. A good time was had by all especially Mr. Eric St. George of the John Howard Society of Newfoundland.

Prior to Mr. Brown's leaving, an enjoyable evening was held at the home of Dave Lavers. Mr. Sullivan from our Moncton Office was also present along with a "friend".

This office has made a New Year's resolution: Every attempt will be made to notify the RR in the provinces that our parolees will be in their area.

There have not been any engagements, marriages, or births in *this office* to our knowledge.

Sorry this is so brief, but no time is allotted for research, survey, and analysis.

Miss Julie Magee, a native of Louisbourg, Cape Breton, graduated from the Cape Breton Business College in Sydney in June, 1967, and joined our staff in August of the same year. This is Julie's first job and we are most happy she chose the Federal Government and especially the Parole Board for her first position.

Miss Dianne Dube, a native of Windsor, Ontario, joined the Federal Government in 1963 in Ottawa and has served with various departments. Dianne came to us in September, 1967, from the R.C.M.P. in Halifax.

Vince MacDonald

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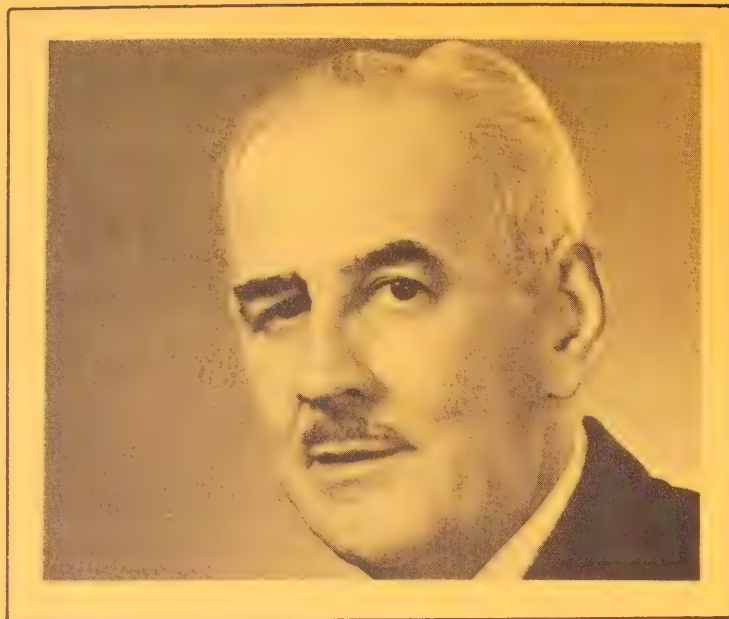
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IN MEMORIAM

Edouard Dion, Q.C., a member of the National Parole Board died in Ottawa September 26th, 1968.

Mr. Dion, who was appointed by the government in council at the inception of the Board in 1959, would have completed his 10-year appointment in January 1969.

Born in Lévis, P.Q. on May 7, 1913, he died at age 55.

Mr. Dion received his primary and secondary education at Lévis College and Nicolet College. He attended Laval University where he received his B.A. in 1933 and his LL.L. in 1937.

He began his law practice in Quebec City in 1937, entering into a partnership with the Hon. Albert Dumontier.

In 1940 he enlisted in the Army, retiring with the rank of Captain in 1945, and resumed his law practice in New Carlisle, Bonaventure County, P.Q. He was appointed a Crown Attorney in November 1945 and served in that capacity until his appointment to the National Parole Board in 1959.

Mr. Dion was active in community affairs having been Director, Vice-president and President of the Board of Trade in New Carlisle. He was also Vice-president of the Canadian Legion there and was a Councillor of the Lower St. Lawrence Bar Association.

In his youth, Mr. Dion was a noted sportsman, particularly in Quebec where, in 1935, he won the singles and doubles championships in tennis for the District of Quebec.

The sympathy of the Chairman, Members of the Board and staff are extended to his widow, the former Ruth Carruthers, his daughter Simonne and son Robert.

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Editor's comment

Would you believe that our first issue of "Insight" proved so popular that we are continuing publication!

While it was designed for internal distribution only, copies found their way into the hands of many other people, primarily those involved in the work of corrections, from coast to coast.

This has resulted in us being asked to provide outside mailings to such interested persons. Not only have we had written requests but numerous telephone requests – all congratulatory! This should make every one who has contributed proud of their handiwork, and certainly as editor I am very proud too.

So let's continue to turn out as fine an employee publication as we can – keeping in mind it will only be as successful as its contributors make it.

Walford D. Reeves

INSIGHT (to what)

On Monday, April 29, 1968 we crowned Miss National Parole Board, who was our entry in the R.A. Contest.

The contestants were:

Miss Lynda Firth
Miss Elaine Wilson
Miss Valeri Evans (Mrs. K. Butcher)
Miss Jackie Parent
Miss Claudette Helie
Miss Louise Villeneuve
Mrs. Terry Rose
Miss Louis McSorley
Miss Eileen Hogan

Miss National Parole Board

Ottawa – April 29, 1968



Left to right:

Louise McSorley, Miss National Parole Board; Eileen Hogan, Louise Villeneuve, Claudette Helic (La Casse); Jackie Parent, Theresa Rose, Valerie Evans (Butcher); Linda Firth, Elaine Wilson, Mrs. Margot LeBleu.

The winner was Miss Louise McSorley. She is twenty years old and works as clerk in our central registry. She is a graduate of the High School of Commerce and her hobbies include organ playing, water skiing and swimming.

Our judges were Commissioner A.J. McLeod, Penitentiaries; Deputy Commissioner W.J. Fitzsimmons, RCMP, Mrs. M. de Courville Nicol, Assistant Womens' Editor, *Le Droit*; Miss Elise Lavigne, Judy Welch Modelling school; Max Keeping, CTV News Commentator; Frank Penn, TV Columnist, *Ottawa Citizen*; David Brown, Columnist "Below the Hill", *Ottawa Journal*.

A special thanks to Mrs. Margot LeBleu for coaching the girls and to Mr. André Ouellette for running things so well behind the scenes. Actually the man who made it all possible was Walford Reeves. He's the man who usually initiates and carries out most of our "extra curricular activities" around Headquarters although seldom gets the credit.

Judy Elichuk

PRINCE ALBERT

Congratulations to our staff across Canada for their contribution to "Insight". The Prince Albert Office enjoyed reading your poems and about your activities.

Our office has been assisted by Messrs. Wright and Radigk in catching up on the backlog of interviewing at the Saskatchewan Penitentiary. We also appreciate their contribution to socialization and inter-office morale on these visits.

Mr. Gillies was in Laval, Quebec during the week of May 13 to 17 to attend the Annual Conference of Regional Representatives and District Officers. Upon his return he briefed the Officers and the stenographers of the events that took place. It was suggested that it was one of the better conferences held so far.

We started to say that nothing much was new here at present, then we discovered that we are losing two of our three Officers to the hinterlands. Mr. Gillies, the Regional Representative for the Province of Saskatchewan, has accepted the position of Regional Representative for the Edmonton Region and will be assuming his duties August 1st. Mr. Caslor will move to Saskatoon in the near future to be Officer in Charge of our new Saskatoon Office.

The Regional Office in Saskatchewan will now be located in Regina and Mr. Wright will be the new Regional Representative for Saskatchewan. We have appreciated working with Mr. Gillies and Mr. Caslor and we wish them the best in their new locations.

*Mr. A. Rowe
Mrs. L. Hrynuik.*

ABBOTSFORD

Jack Phillips attended a week's course in Small Group Leadership at Banff, Alberta, in the latter part of February. He must have had a good time, because he came home with his leg in a plaster cast!

Fred Jones attended a Human Relations Institute at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, in May.

Margaret Kruyer, casual steno, left April 30 to take a job with a flying service at the Abbotsford Airport. She gets free flying lessons on her new job, which is a fringe benefit I doubt even the Alliance will be able to negotiate!

Doreen Warwick, ST4, returned to work May 1 after several months' absence due to illness.

Parole officers McClymont, Mussell and Phillips attended the B.C. Corrections Institute at New Westminster on June 6-7-8.

Due to the rapid increase in direct parole supervision across the country, this office dropped to 5th place in numbers under direct supervision. However, we are still No. 3 in number of field visits.

May Rheaume tells us her daughter, Linda, who has been taking a Radio and T.V. Communications Course at the B.C. Institute of Technology in Vancouver, has now accepted employment with Station CKPG, Prince George.

Dorothy Avery has moved into a new apartment with Margaret Kruyer, formerly of this office. Dorothy is leaving for Mexico on July 27 for a three-weeks holiday.

Grace McClymont and her husband are leaving on July 5 for a three-weeks tour of Britain.

Bill Mussell recently completed a 20-week course (evening meetings twice weekly) on the Activator's Philosophy of Human Behaviour, and recommends it highly. It is given by Dave Pellin in Vancouver.

On June 23rd Bill and his wife judged a Public Speaking Contest held by the Indian Education Club at the B.C. Penitentiary. The calibre of the contestants was good and the value of such inmate involvement both in the contest and in the club's activities is recognized.

On June 2 Jack Phillips had a "Texas-Style" beef barbecue for the office staff at his famous ranch, complete with home-made wine and beer, and horse-back riding for the intrepid.

John A. Phillips.

Some reasons our own personnel have given for taking sick leave

"Fell on Head" (!)
"Abominable Pains"
"Headach & Crossed Eyes" (original spelling)
"Migrain and Threw Up" (After hearing about the 3% raise?)
"Bronkites"
"Intentional Flu" (Freudian Slip?)
"Bumped Elbow on Window Sill and Unable to type"
"Gaz on Stomac" (original spelling)
and the BEST ONE OF ALL:
"Pregnant so couldn't function"

Public Service 25 Year Pins — Headquarters



Front Row — reading left to right:

Frank P. Miller, Executive Director; Miss J. Fabien, Registry; T. George Street, Q.C.; Chairman (who presented the pins); G.A. Tremblay, Member; P. Hart, Director, Administration and Personnel.

Back Row — reading left to right:

G.L. Good, Accounts and Purchasing; J.C. Mowry, Supervisor — Case Investigators; A. Gormley, Case Investigator; A. Faucher, Parole Analyst; A. Wood, Case Investigator; D. Renaud, Asst. Chief, Parole Supervision; F. Pay, Registry Supervisor; L.L. England, Chief, Clemency and Legal Division.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF HUMAN RELATIONS

1. SPEAK TO PEOPLE — *there is nothing as nice as a cheerful word.*
2. SMILE AT PEOPLE — *it takes 70 muscles to frown, only 14 to smile.*
3. CALL PEOPLE BY NAME — *the sweetest music to anyone's ears is the sound of his name.*
4. BE FRIENDLY and HELPFUL — *if you would have friends, be friendly.*
5. BE CORDIAL — *speak and act as if everything you do were a pleasure.*
6. BE GENUINELY INTERESTED IN PEOPLE — *you can like everybody if you try.*
7. BE GENEROUS WITH PRAISE — *cautious with criticism.*
8. BE CONSIDERATE WITH THE FEELINGS OF OTHERS — *it is appreciated.*
9. BE THOUGHTFUL OF THE OPINIONS OF OTHERS — *there are three sides in a controversy: yours, the other fellows, and the right one.*
10. BE ALERT TO GIVE SERVICE — *what counts most in life is what we do for others.*

KINGSTON

Kingston Regional Office news, in the first edition of "Insight", might have given the impression that the staff here are continually coming and going, never really unpacking their suitcases. In order to dispel such notions, this edition is devoted to the "Fearsome Foursome" who have "homesteaded" in the area and have each "served" 25 years (or more) in the employ of the Public Service.

25 Year Pins – Kingston



Left to right, C.C. Brooks, Miss M. Bell, Lou Hunt, C.A.M. Edwards

Miss Mary Bell is the senior employee with almost 26 years service beginning in August of 1942. Miss Bell (Steno Pool) has spent the past eight years with the National Parole Service in the Kingston Regional Office. A woman of varied interests (Womens' Institute, collecting money from staff members, St. John's Nursing, collecting money from staff members, and so on) Mary's long and devoted service deserves special recognition.

Also receiving "25 years service pins" were C.A.M. "Aussie" Edwards (Regional Representative), Charlie Brooks and Lou Hunt.

Mr. Edwards, following Military Service, joined the Canadian Penitentiary Service in January of 1948. In 1954 he became the first Field Officer in the old remission service and served an area extending from the Ontario Reformatory at Guelph to Her Majesty's Penitentiary in Newfoundland. In 1959, "Aussie" continued with National Parole Service as Regional Representative in the Kingston Office.
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Kingston Regional Office Staff



Front row, left to right

Mrs. D. Yeo; C.C. Brooks, C.A.M. Edwards (Regional Representative); Mrs. Sharon Bullock

Second row

Miss Mary Bell; M.D. Stienburg; L. Hunt, Mrs. G. Morlock

Back row

Miss H. Tyner; A.A.D. Robertson; Mrs. Mary Burleigh

"Charlie" Brooks joined the Parole Service in August of 1960 following many years with the National Employment Service. While certainly not his main claim to fame, "Charlie's" reputation as a party organizer (remember the conference in January) is spreading. He is also reasonably well known for his futile attempts to give up smoking — a noble effort but even the strong falter.

"Lou" Hunt, otherwise known as "Swinging Grampa", joined the Department of National Defence in 1945 (after a stint with the Military). In April of 1948, Lou switched to the Canadian Penitentiary Service and later, in 1960, transferred to the National Parole Service. Lou recently returned from a trip to the British Isles and has settled down to a quiet life of Ford "Mustangs", darts and a mysterious cottage on a secluded lake northwest of Parham (approximately the same directions Lou gives to potential visitors).

Long articles could be written to outline the careers of each of the above. Instead, on behalf of their colleagues in the Service, we say simply "congratulations, behave yourselves and you are good for a lot of mileage yet".

While not a member of the quarter century club, Mrs. G.R. Morlock (Receptionist, R.R.'s righthand woman, house mother, etc.) this year completes 11 years with the Parole Service. Mrs. Morlock, several years ago (dates really aren't important) was employed in the old Air Mail Service. At Spring Convocation (Class of '68) Mrs. Morlock's son (Jim) graduated from Queen's University in Geological Engineering. He is presently employed by Rio Algom "prospecting" in Northern British Columbia.

M.D. Stienburg

MONTREAL

La Gaspésie a été populaire parmi nos agents pour leurs vacances de cette année. Rollande Filion et Réal Daoust y sont allés de même que nos deux jeunes mariés (pas ensemble), Ginette Martin et Gilles Thibault.

Roger Duranceau a fait du camping et du canotage tout l'été. Il a un canot unique en son genre, équipé de flotteurs et d'un rétroviseur.

Yves Léveillé attend deux opérations: amygdales et cigogne.

Trois weekends de l'été ont été marqués de réunions: au chalet d'André Therrien, à la maison de Rhéal Daoust pour épiluchette de blé d'inde et au chalet de Rollande Filion.

Denis Trottier s'est improvisé entrepreneur général et se bâtit une maison à Richelieu.

Nous voulons rapporter officiellement que, durant le dernier trimestre au bureau de Montréal, les cotisations du fonds de bienfaisance sont montées à \$0.75 et les liqueurs douces à \$0.11, pendant que le prix du café est descendu à \$0.05. Les responsables sont présentement Réal Daoust, président, Denis Trottier, vice-président, et Géraldine La Ramée, secrétaire. Lisette Clermont vend peu de liqueurs, mais collecte souvent tandis que Marie Perrault vend beaucoup de café, mais a grand peine à collecter.

Lisette Clermont prépare un voyage au Mexique. Madeleine Cuillerier se prépare à nous quitter pour avoir laissé trop d'initiative à son mari. Ginette Goyette, Miss Stock Room, a perdu ses dents et ses vacances. Francine Lalonde a commencé à faire de l'équitation et se révèle une écuyère accomplie.

André Therrien

ST. JOHN'S, NFLD.

The staff at this office enjoyed the first edition of "Insight" and look forward to future issues with keen anticipation. This magazine will have added significance in the future as the conference at Laval gave me opportunity to meet so many of the other Regional Representatives and District Officers from across Canada.

No doubt, as time passes, everyone will come to the realization that Murray Gaw in British Columbia and myself in Newfoundland, will be doing our utmost to keep the province from drifting apart.

We enjoyed Miss Lynch's visit to St. John's in the last week of May. It was even found possible to provide her with one and one — half days of sunshine during her two day visit. Despite this we were somewhat amazed at her doubts about the ability of our Air Canada Pilots to navigate through dense fog. She should visit us sometime when it is really foggy!

In Mid — June we had the pleasure of a visit by Messrs. Braithwaite, Benoit and Smith. We were much disappointed that Mr. Miller was unable to travel East with them.

We would like to join with the other staff members in offering condolences to Miss Lynch whose father died during the month of June

Roy Evans

Miss Solicitor General – Miss National Parole Board



From left to right:

John Braithwaite, Director of Correctional Planning; Miss Solicitor General, Micheline Tremblay; Miss National Parole Board, Louise McSorley; T. George Street, Chairman, National Parole Board.

WINNIPEG

The Gateway to the West has been buzzing with activity in the past couple of months. We have seen a few new faces around the office, and have been privileged to have a couple of visits from Headquarters staff.

Joining us for the summer months under Manpower's student summer employment plan, we have Mr. Laverne Lewycky who has just graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Sociology from the University of Manitoba. We have also had Mrs. Margaret Hannah in for temporary help while our stenographic staff bask in the sun during their deserving holidays.

The staff enjoyed accepting an invitation to attend the Stoney Mountain Penitentiary Drama Club production of "My Three Angels". The comedy came complete with striped convicts who use their criminal talents to make a lavish Christmas party for a bankrupt frontier storekeeper and his family. The play was loudly applauded by four hundred invited guests.

Recently, we have been visited by Miss Vining, Mr. Braithwaite, Mr. Benoit, and Mr. Frank Miller. We appreciate their visits immensely, and thoroughly

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enjoyed their presence. We regret that Miss Vining's visit was so brief, but she answered many of our questions. We recollect our luncheon together at the St. Regis, and faintly remember her boasting about an Eastern personality in the midst of our political discussion. We were favoured with a visit from Mr. Braithwaite and Mr. Benoit recently as members of "the" committee. We enjoyed their brief stay and do hope that they will look us up again when they have occasion to come to Winnipeg.

Since Mr. Miller had a couple of days with us, the evening of Wednesday, July 3, was a good excuse for a party — barbequed hamburgers and delicious appetizers. "Insight" readers might appreciate an insight into the occasion. Frankly, Mr. Miller was quite ruthless (his wife was not there), and had us all dramatically portraying the daffy definitions from his Texas Dictionary that he picked up in Dallas, U.S.A. We hope you still have not lost your charming "Texan Droll" (pronounced drawl), Mr. Miller. The wackiest definition of the evening proved to be Mr. Miller's FELONS — meaning material used to fill something — as in the sentence "Now open your mouth wide and let me look at your felons (said of course in a Texan drawl).

We noticed that Mr. Miller seemed quite impressed with the staff — especially the distaff, wives and wife to be (our Regional Representative's daughter, Eleanor). In conclusion, while we regret Mr. Miller's going, we are consoled by his giving us a Bible motto for Parole Service Officers who procrastinate sending Parts 3 and 4 *before* the prisoner's sentence expires: 1 Kings, 20:40.

We extend our hearty congratulations to our colleague, Marinus Begieneman, for successfully completing his first year towards a Masters of Social Work degree.

Summer in Winnipeg is a time of moves and holidays. We are happy for the Gary Hamblins in their move to a new house. The West has won the hearts of Lynn Clark and her husband; Marius Begieneman, his wife and family; and Jim Phelps and his wife, who are all going there for their holidays. The Hamblins will be going to the beach for a week. Mrs. Margaret Scott will not be going too far away from us for her holidays, while Mrs. Dorothea Desormeaux will continue to give us strong stenographic backing throughout the summer. No doubt many of you will be travelling this summer, so when you pass Winnipeg, please be sure to drop up to Room 503 — 177 Lombard Avenue and pay us a visit.

Laverne Lewycky

EARLY LETTERS

I must at this stage say very bluntly that even among the ameliorative conditions which have of recent years been introduced into our English prisons, I do myself see a definite deterioration among men serving a long sentence of imprisonment. Whatever means of education, stimulation and recreation may be employed, however you may seek to ring the changes on handicrafts and literature, skittles or chess or ping-pong, despite the invaluable labours of most devoted voluntary workers, it requires a superman to survive twenty years of imprisonment with character and soul intact. I gravely doubt whether an average man can serve more than ten continuous years in prison without deterioration.

*Sir Alexander Paterson,
H.M. Commissioner of Prisons, England.*

*From PATERSON ON PRISONS —
Collected Papers — 1952.*

Finally, the prevention of crime depends, to a large degree, upon the education of public sentiment. Public opinion, therefore, needs to be enlightened, informed and guided on all questions relating to crime, its causation and prevention, and to criminals, their treatment, reformation and rehabilitation.

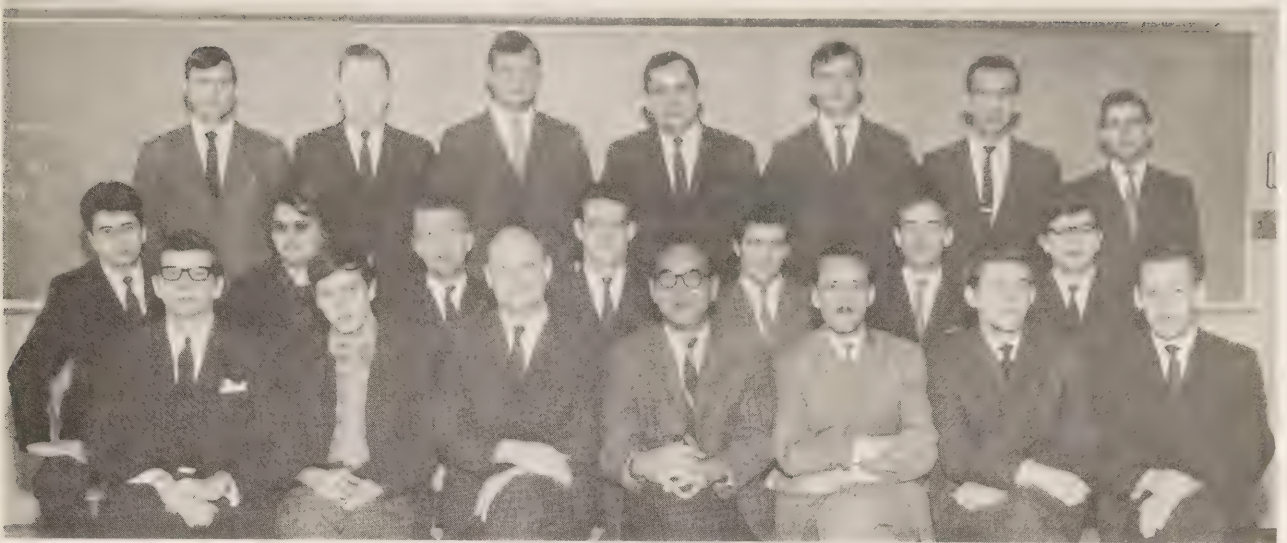
*F.H. Wines, LL.D., Founder of
International Prison Congress, 1870.*

INDISPENSIBLE ?

Sometime when you're feeling important,
Sometime when your ego's in bloom,
Sometime when you take it for granted,
You're the best qualified in the room,
Sometime, when you feel that your going,
Would leave an unfillable hole,
Just follow these simple instructions,
And see how it humbles your soul;

Take a bucket and fill it with water,
Put your hand in it up to the wrist,
Pull it out and the hole that's remaining,
Is a measure of how you'll be missed.
You may splash all you wish as you enter,
You can stir up the water galore —
But stop and you'll find in a minute,
That it looks quite the same as before.
The moral of this quaint example,
Is do just the best that you can,
Be proud of yourself but remember,
There is NO indispensable man.

Staff Training Conference – Laval, P.Q. (March 10-15, 1968)



Back row (left to right)

J. Labelle (Montreal), J.R.R. Daoust (Montreal), P.L. Dupuis (Laval), D. Pavlovic (Laval), J.M. Roy (Quebec), A. Paulin (Ottawa), J.C. Morin (Montreal),

Middle row

R. Houde (Granby), Miss R. Fillion (Montreal), J.D.R. Duranceau (Montreal), Y. LaCasse (Ottawa), G. Thibault (Montreal), J.P. Lupien (Ottawa-Hull), S. Fregeau (Montreal).

Front row

P. Garon (Montreal), Y. Leveillé (Montreal), J.H. Leroux (Ottawa), O. Fonseca (Ottawa), A. Therrien (Montreal), J.C. Perron (Laval), F. Albert (Ottawa).

HAMILTON

Ladies First: – Our “girls” (I’ve always wondered whether they refer to us as their “boys”) report nothing new as far as births, divorces, separations, engagements or marriages. Linda Lewis plans to vacation at her boyfriend’s cottage (with his parents, certainly) near Orillia in July. She recently passed her night school shorthand course with honours.

Mrs. Iris Sloan hopes to jet to the Bahamas in September with her delightful daughter, Gillian who works as a medical technologist at the Joseph Brant Hospital in Burlington.

Mrs. Sloan and Mrs. Sibley had a birthday several weeks apart last month. Linda produced a cake with 21 candles for both of them – and we all had a coffee-break-birthday party without any ages being revealed!

Smile of the Month: – This was submitted by Mrs. Sloan who, although it was dictated last October, still refers to it with a smile. It was part of a Cumulative Summary of an inmate I had interviewed at Guelph. “There are 12 brothers and 5 sisters; all from the same mother and at one time she gave birth to 20 children...” The correction was made to save a frantic enquiry from Dave Johnston in Ottawa.

The Regional Reps Conference in Laval was enjoyed by Dick Wallace and myself. Incidentally Dick *did not* leave immediately after lunch on Friday noon to catch the matinee performance at “Les Arabes” but to get an early plane back to Toronto.

Reg Ryan is driving a yellow 1967 Corvette Sting Ray – which has to be about the swiftest car in the whole Service. He recently drove to Ottawa in 4 hours which is not too bad at all for a 300 mile trip!

New Offices: – To date, no further news as to when the Hamilton office might leave the National Revenue Building to go to the more central Terminal Towers.

The new Guelph District Office should be open later in the summer as soon as the lease is approved and a steno is found.

John H. Lawrence

MONCTON

New Brunswick received a visit from Miss Lynch, Mr. McLeod, Commissioner of Penitentiaries, and Father Libby of Half-Way House fame, who were special guests at the Atlantic Provinces Corrections Association meeting held in Fredericton late in May.

Everything went — we hope. These Upper Canadian guests left us with our spirits up.

Unfortunately though, we are now being converged upon by Upper Canadian politicians who will probably again remind us of our depressed state and inadequate existence. However, even though these gentlemen depress our morale, on the 25th of June our bottled-up inhibitions will be released.

But we in the Moncton Office care not about such things! We are not even concerned for our brethren in Halifax who lay claim to the first Temporary or Day Parole in the Maritimes.

All is well in our office. The 3 girls still unmarried, and 2 men still married, and the 'big fellow' doesn't care — only for lobsters. No children have been born recently.

On August 31st there will be a big celebration in this office. It will be the 1st anniversary of the broken stenorette, not yet replaced.

The celebration may become an annual event and a song is being composed for the occasion — "Hope Springs Eternal".

A. C. MacNeil

CALGARY

Due to "circumstances beyond our control", (in other words, we forgot), the Calgary Regional Office did not submit an item for the first publication of "Insight". The Calgary Regional Office, therefore, wishes to extend greetings to the other offices and to wish the "Insight" well.

I might make one comment about the name of our publication. It is as well that it was named "Insight" rather than "Inside" (which might indicate a gossip column) or "Incite" (which might indicate that it could start a riot). Pardon the puny pun, please.

In the three years of its existence, the Calgary Regional Office has increased its staff threefold, and has moved three times, all within the same building. The initial staff of Mr. G.P. Spiro, our Regional Representative, and Mrs. Norma Widden (both of whom transferred from the Edmonton Regional Office June 1, 1965) was augmented first by Miss Dorothy MacQueen (now Mrs. Morris Hobbelink) and then by Mr. Norman Jackson, both in 1966. In 1967, Mr. F.R. Mullally, Mr. R.C. Harshman and Miss Edith Edwards joined our staff.

Mr. F.R. Mullally left us in the Spring of this year to join the staff of the Vancouver Regional Office.

To date we do not have a replacement for him but Mr. George Carnahan will be joining our staff on August 1, 1968. Mr. Norman Jackson will be attending the School of Social Work at the University of Calgary this Fall, and will continue working on a part-time basis until he completes his studies.

Mr. Stevenson's "little gem" in the first edition of "Insight" reminds us of the wife who wrote requesting a parole for her husband "so he can be home for my birthday". Perhaps she needed help to blow out the candles!

Mrs. Norma Whidden

NO PROBLEM IS TOO SMALL
TO BAFFLE THIS ORGANIZATION



"I'm doing five years for impersonating women."



Front row, left to right:

R.G. (Dick) Wallace, Hamilton; Gordon Brown, Director of Organization and Personnel Division, Department of Solicitor General; Hector Leroux, Assistant Executive Director, Frank P. Miller, Executive Director, National Parole Service; John Braithwaite, Director of Correctional Planning, Department of Solicitor General; W.F. (Bill) Carabine, Chief, Case Preparation, Gerard Genest, Chief, Parole Supervision, Ottawa.

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The Canadian Journal of Corrections, July 1968

Film Reviews

Recension de films

SQUARE JOHNS. Produced 1967 by the National Film Board. Twenty-seven minutes, forty seconds in length, black and white; 16 mm. Available through the National Film Board.

"Square Johns" is a square film; no fancy camera work, no dream sequences, no introspective flashbacks. It deals with parole and parolees in a straightforward (as opposed to "arty") way and it succeeds in what it sets out to do - to make parole appear to the public as a sensible

way of releasing offenders from prison. Its message is stated simply by the parole officer in the film, "the essence of parole is supervision". The other point the film makes, less directly, is that parole, through its emphasis on supervision, provides solid protection to the public.

"Square Johns" deals mainly with two parolees, Lorne Edward Macey and Fred Dorgan; the former is coming out of penitentiary after serving twelve years of a twenty-five years sentence for bank robbery; Dorgan has just

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served eight months in jail for car theft. They provide an interesting contrast in other ways as well. Macey has neither family nor friends and is frighteningly unfamiliar with city life, skyscrapers, traffic; Dorgan has a family ("we had to get married") too many "friends" and is overly familiar with big-city temptations. Macey has a good job to go to; Dorgan loses the one that was promised to him because he cannot get bonded. These two present very different challenges to the parole officer and the film story weaves its way in and out of their two lives.

There are two other brief episodes. One deals with a "smart-aleck", a cigar chomping character, Mr. Adams, who is ninety minutes late for his appointment with his parole officer, having "twice failed to report". Interestingly, he parks his brand-new convertible in a "no-parking" area across the street from the parole office, leaving a pretty girl in the front seat.

After a heated interview, the parolee races back to the car, kisses the girl and drives off recklessly "peeling rubber" as he does so. There's a moral here; one not very subtly drawn. "Breaking rules leads to breaking laws", says the parole officer and not surprisingly we learn that Mr. Adams' parole is eventually revoked.

The other short sequence deals with the parole application of a man involved in a serious sexual offence with a young girl. We see the Parole Board considering and rejecting the request, although its reasons are not made clear. Actually, the decision-making role of the Board is not given much attention in the film; that was deliberate, in order to focus on the importance of the parole service, but what little we do see of the Board (all parts are played by professional actors) is uninspiring.

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Miss Solicitor General



Left to right:

Mrs. Claire Savard, Mrs. Gayle Bissett,
Miss Betty-Ann Trottier, Mrs. Micheline Tremblay.

The parole officer, however, is shown to good advantage. He helps Macey and is making progress with Dorgan. The film does a good job of illustrating the skill and flexibility necessary to work with both.

Macey needs support because he's "forgotten how to live a normal life" and so he's helped to get a room in a respectable boarding house. When he is mistakenly suspected of being in a break and enter with an old pal ("we were having a beer"), the parole officer helps to clear up the matter but at the same time explains the role of the police to Macey - "it's their job to be suspicious". By the end of the film Macey is much less suspicious, much more relaxed, "not the happiest or most successful guy in the world", but a sound parolee.

Dorgan needs a job and counselling for himself and his wife because his unemployment and family tensions compound one another. The film convincingly portrays the role of the parole officer in both situations, but because documentary films must get their messages across in short periods of time, the situations are oversimplified. Take Dorgan for example. Promised a job, he's turned down because of bonding regulations. He doesn't consult his parole officer as he's supposed to ("don't you want me to stand on my own two feet?") but looks elsewhere and finds more frustration. He goes home to his mother-in-law's where his explanation is not accepted, takes one beer out of the frig and the family fight starts. This leads to Dorgan's going out on the town that very night with some old buddies and getting jailed for being drunk and disorderly. All of this in one day, presumably Dorgan's first day on the street.

In spite of this unpromising start, the parole officer believes in Dorgan, if Fred can make a fresh start with his wife. This unfortunately, seems a little unrealistic and some of the interviewing techniques with Mrs. Dorgan add to our uneasiness. She's almost blackmailed into moving back with her husband so that he can be kept on parole.

But if there's a lack of subtlety in analyzing the cause and effects of behaviour and parole treatment, it does not detract from the original intention of the National Parole Board to produce a film which will increase the general public's confidence in parole. "Square Johns" is not an "artistic" success, nor will it appeal to professionals for its criminological content, but unlike a number of National Film Board documentaries,

its subject matter has been well-researched by a script writer who spent considerable time with members of the Parole Board; studied numerous files; visited a regional office and a penitentiary and sat in on interviews. The film is realistic and so its "square" style is suitable, especially for the general public who will benefit from its sound approach to parole.

The Film Board and the Parole Board deserve credit for a successful "first" collaboration. On the strength of "Square Johns" they can proceed less cautiously and go deeper and "farther out" next time.

Bill Zimmerman

Associate Editor, Film Reviews



"I said: 'Can she type?'"
(Paul Hart selecting staff)



"Looks as if he got up on the wrong side of bed this morning"

'CHARLIE'S SAGA REVISITED'

EDITOR'S NOTE: In our last edition we printed the tale of a Field Officer, one Charlie McCoffus, who handed his over-worked brains over to the medicos for overhaul, but upon transfer to Ottawa found he no longer needed them.

The story, from another pen, continues . . .

The revealing dilemma of Charlie McC.,
Read at great depth with appreciable glee,
Seems a ripe invitation to say a few words
Of compassion yet truth to any field office birds
Who labour impressed that bleak is their toil
While at H.Q. the staff their hands never soil.

Now Charlie's euphoria was not long to last,
In fact it soon ended upon his first blast.
Close contact, he found, to public admin
Exposed him to action he often thought sin.
And he soon came to learn that, as often as might,
The lash of the tongue is as much of a fright
As the chastening notes that come in the mail
Without fear or favour but oft to assail.

So McC. was to find that the H.Q. man must
Have his wits all about him or otherwise bust.
For example with guidelines non-existent or old,
A new set of frustrations began to unfold.
And slowly young Charlie began to perceive
A need for his brains or be brought to his knees.

'Hey, Doc' he related by cable one night,
'After six months in Ottawa I just seen the light'.
'The miles that divide the sticks from H.Q.
Are rather essential – between me and you –
Freedom to rove is clearly more fun
Than tied to a desk, and under the gun'.

'Please send me my brains, by road or by rail,
I have thinking to do – I must hit the trail –
A return to green pastures is long overdue,
If I stay here in Ottawa I'll be in a stew'.

Now Charlie's adventure has a moral to tell,
Important to all so give ear to it well.
He returned to the fold with knowledge anew
To blend this with that of the field office crew.
He saw there are problems, which can cause great
unrest,
But with patience and drive he was luckily blessed.
He saw one aim – a strong Service well run –
So got back to his files, and his place in the sun!

Anonymous

Hippie Poem

While walking through Yorkville (the Hippie Area) in Toronto, I was approached to buy an original poem for 25¢.

From a sheaf of one-page poems I happened to select, by mere chance, the following:

After reading it I couldn't help but return to the 'vendor' to see if all the poems were identical, but there were no others.

It would almost appear that fate had a hand in the selection.

Perhaps after reading it, you may agree.

The Editor

Souls
Souls imprisoned in walls
Walls
Walls of wood and steel and cement
Guarded by the vigilance of dishonor and injustice
Only despondency and despair keep them company
Only love is the warden that can effect a parole
Only love is the key to their freedom
Only love can unlock the door
But the guards have discarded the key
In favour of selfishness and greed
Only they are afraid of death

Beanie

WE GET LETTERS

(to a Regional Representative)

Dear Sir:

In all honesty, I find it very hard to find words, in order to express what I want to say to you. If you were here, I could best say everything; by simply shaking your hand, and say an honest thank you.

Much gratitude is due to you on my part. During my parole, you have done so much for me, and I fear that I let you down many times. I only hope that you forgive me for all the broken promises. I had to go a long way, in order to prove to myself that I could not drink and live normal. Since my last stupor, I firmly believe that I finally convinced myself of this fact. Please, don't feel that your efforts have been to no avail; because, I tell you that I am winning the greatest battle of my life – the battle against myself. Some of the biggest victories of the world, have come out of defeat. My task, is now to repair the ruins.

During the past months, I have developed a fond admiration towards you. Not only for all the times you stuck out your neck for me; and the dedication for your work – but, for just being the person

you are, and the image you project. When I look at you, I not only see a parole officer doing his job; but, I see a man who had his share of obstacles in life, and overcame them. Perhaps, the most striking words you spoke to me were: when you told me how you used to drink during the war. But, you also told me that after the war, you made up your mind towards a cause. You certainly have stuck to that cause. If you were able to do it, I most surely can. A great man once said that: "During a lifetime, a person can count the amount of true friends he has, on the fingers of one hand." I can honestly say, that your name is on one of my fingers. I will keep in touch with you now and again. Please feel free to drop in anytime. Besides, I am determined that one of these days you will have enough time to accept a cup of coffee. Keep up the good work, because, there are so many of us who need guidance. Our country needs more men like you.

A Parolee

(Name withheld)



"His Highness doesn't want a historian. He wants an Establishment propagandist!"

WINNIPEG

(following the Regional Rep's conference at Laval Staff training college)

What we didn't know

How it feels to live in a cell (this should encourage us to recommend more paroles).

How flexible the cell walls are – Grant Spiro was in the cell next to mine – I heard him!

How efficient the two young ladies were in sorting the chaff from the grain.

How well Sully can sing
"Hallelujah" – inspiring!

How attentively people can listen and not hear anything.

What cold fried eggs taste like – (We had in part forgotten the RCAF days).

How flavourful the French "Cuisine" is.

How headquarters works – Thanks to Paul Hart – we are now enlightened.

D.R. Rempel

PRESENTMENT OF GRAND JURY

Toronto, Spring Assize, 1898.

To His Lordship,
Mr. Justice Rose,
High Court of Justice, Winter Assizes.

Hospital for Inebriates

The Grand Jurors are of the opinion that an Hospital, or Industrial Reformatory for Inebriates — habitual drunkards — should be established which we think would be in the interests of Society, Morality and Public Policy, as we think that unfortunate class of the community should be provided with accommodation other than the slums, or (?) the common jail, as we believe, in many cases, drunkenness is a disease, and requires medical treatment, should be furnished them, and which we believe would result in saving very many, yes, thousands, of valuable citizens of the country, and we would strongly recommend the Government to establish such an Institution.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Henry Wilson, Foreman.

and Central Prison, quite distinct from that police supervision which is often more cruel than was the prison. The idea may be a good one; for, if say, a hundred persons of known position and character in each Province, would combine to give employment to returned convicts, it is beyond question that not one convict in a thousand would be insensible to the generous aid. Then, after a lapse of a few years, let a testimonial be given from the employers, which the new-returned convict might keep; and let "society" discharge him from the debt to itself, and wipe out all memory of the past. This is not simply theorising but speaking of a project which would be a boon both to society and to its offenders.

As it is, I repeat, it is a miserable fact that many returned convicts are annually driven to new crimes by the extension of their punishment for all time. They cannot rid themselves of that incubus of the past, which not only weighs heavily on their peace, but which annihilates their hope of recovery. They are what they were and they will be what they are, because society is too pure to forgive — that white virgin, society, being so distressingly immaculate, that the bare mention of past offence makes it shudder!

*J.G. Moylan, Inspector,
Penitentiaries Branch,
Department of Justice,
February 28th, 1879.*

THE REPLY OF HIS LORDSHIP JUSTICE ROSE

With regard to the question of the treatment of inebriates, his Lordship said that drunkards, as such, are not criminals; it is absolutely wrong to treat them as criminals and to so treat them has no justification. Under certain conditions, a drunkard may be no more responsible than a lunatic or an imbecile. Drunkenness should be treated as a disease, and special hospitals should be provided for the drunkard.

The Judge added that he was glad the Grand Jury had made these recommendations, and that they would be forwarded to the Inspector of Prisons. "This report," said his Lordship, "should not simply be pigeon-holed, but officials cannot accomplish much without a strong public sentiment behind them. Therefore, exert your personal influence, and help to bring about these most desirable reforms."

I mention with pleasure the fact that a society has been formed at Toronto for the friendly surveillance of discharged prisoners from the common gaol

FIRST STEP

Analysis of the problem indicated quite clearly that chronic truancy, even as early as the second grade, is an indication of a condition that can quite easily be described as the first step in a career of delinquency and crime.

Truancy should be recognized as a danger signal and treated as such. The criminal mind is not the result of a deliberate resolve to be a bad man and take chances, but a slow unconscious fruition of a long process of alienation from the moral aims of society. The criminal is an outlaw even before he awakens and finds himself famous and infamous. He is, generally, the product of our mishandling of him.

*Frank T. Sharpe,
Executive Director,
Big Brother Association,
Toronto — 1930.*

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Editor's Comment

Thanks to our many contributors, this third issue of "Insight" has one and a half times more content than before. Should this trend continue we will have to do some real editing to keep it from becoming a magazine!

We are getting more and more requests for "Insight" which should please us all. As we mentioned in the last issue, it is now being sent not only to our own Parole staff across Canada but those agencies which support us. They include of course the John Howard and Elizabeth Fry Societies, Salvation Army, and probation offices. Public libraries, law and university libraries are also requesting copies to keep with their reference material concerning parole. This too is another step forward, or a break for us, in keeping the work of our parole staff before the public.

A concerned public can help us in many ways in promoting the effectiveness of parole in Canadian communities. Not only do people become aware of what we are doing but they become more alert to the proposed changes in legislation which will benefit the inmates.

By learning about us, they become anxious to support us, and it is this support by a concerned public which helps our work to be effective.

Walford D. Reeves

*May we introduce our new Solicitor General
and new Deputy Solicitor General*

**THE HONOURABLE GEORGE JAMES
McILRAITH, P.C., Q.C.**
SOLICITOR GENERAL



Born in the Ottawa Valley community of Lanark, George James McIlraith, at the age of 17, came to Ottawa where he worked in order to obtain the necessary education for his chosen profession.

On graduation he entered law practice in Ottawa with his elder brother, in the firm of McIlraith and McIlraith and practised until his appointment to the Cabinet in 1963. He was appointed Queen's Counsel on May 5th, 1955.

His political career began early, with activities in Liberal clubs during his university days. He had become President of the Ottawa Liberal Association by the time of his first election to the Federal Parliament in 1940, at 31 years of age. Mr. McIlraith has been re-elected in ten successive general elections. He represented the constituency of Ottawa West until re-distribution in 1968 and now represents Ottawa Centre.

During the war years, he was also a Captain and Company Commander of the Governor General's Foot Guards reserve unit.

He was Parliamentary Assistant to the Right Honourable C.D. Howe from 1945 to 1953.

As a member of the official Opposition from 1957 to 1963, Mr. McIlraith served as a senior front bench trade expert. When Mr. Pearson became Prime Minister early in 1963, Mr. McIlraith was appointed Member of the Privy Council and Minister of Transport.

En février 1964, il fut nommé président du Conseil privé et chargé de la mise en œuvre des recommandations de la Commission royale d'enquête sur l'organisation du gouvernement. Il fut également nommé vice-président du Conseil du Trésor.

En 1964, M. McIlraith se voyait confier une autre attribution, celle de leader du gouvernement aux Communes. Dans ce rôle, il réussit à faire adopter par la Chambre des communes les nouveaux règlements sur la procédure des débats.

M. McIlraith fut nommé ministre des Travaux publics en 1965. Il résigna ses fonctions de leader de la Chambre en 1967 pour consacrer plus de temps à son ministère.

Au temps où il était ministre des Travaux publics, M. McIlraith était également responsable de la Commission de la capitale nationale. Son intérêt et son enthousiasme à l'égard de la région de la capitale nationale et l'attachement qu'il lui portait l'ont poussé à se dévouer toute sa vie à cette cause, comme il l'a démontré maintes fois au Parlement, à titre de représentant de sa circonscription d'Ottawa, et comme membre des comités du Sénat et des Communes qui s'intéressent à la capitale nationale.

Following the General Election in June 1968, he was appointed on July 6th Solicitor General for Canada.

He is now, by virtue of being Solicitor General, an Ex-Officio Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada. With his new appointment Mr. McIlraith became, together with the Minister of Justice, one of the two "Law Officers of the Crown".

Mr. McIlraith's experience on parliamentary committees includes chairmanship of the Commons special committees on research and atomic energy in 1949, 1953 and 1956, and long-term membership on the Commons banking and commerce committees.

Mr. McIlraith's club activities include membership in the Rideau Club, the Royal Ottawa Golf Club and the Canadian Club of Ottawa. He has for many years served as an elder of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Ottawa.

ERNEST ADOLPHE CÔTÉ, MBE, B.Sc., LL.B.
Deputy Solicitor General



Mr. Côté earned his B.Sc. degree from Laval University in 1931 and, four years later entered the University of Alberta from which he graduated with an LL.B. degree in 1938. He was called to the Alberta Bar in 1939.

He was commissioned as a lieutenant in the Royal 22nd Régiment and proceeded overseas. During the next four years he held various staff appointments and landed in France on D-Day, with the 3rd Division HQ as a lieutenant-colonel. He was discharged on August 18, 1945 with the rank of colonel.

In recognition of his services he was awarded the MBE in 1943.

Mr. Cote joined the Department of External Affairs in July 1945 serving in various capacities until 1952 when he became head of the American Division.

En 1955, M. Côte est nommé sous-ministre adjoint au ministère du Nord canadien et des Ressources nationales.

M. Côté devient sous-ministre à ce ministère, le 1^{er} juillet 1963. Il retient son poste lors de la création du Ministère des Affaires indiennes et du Nord canadien, le 1^{er} octobre 1966. Il avait été également nommé président de la Commission d'énergie du Nord canadien et membre du conseil d'administration de la Commission du centenaire.

Le 1^{er} mars 1968, M. Côté est nommé sous-ministre des Affaires des anciens combattants.

He is a Director of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society, a Member of the Board of Regents of the University of Sudbury, a Member of the Board of Governors of the University of Ottawa, a Director of the Ontario French-Canadian Association of Education and a Member of l'Amicale du Royal 22^e Régiment.

He was appointed Deputy Solicitor General on December 14, 1968.

Mr. and Mrs. Côté have two boys and two girls.

A PAROLE ANALYST "SEES" THE FUTURE

I have read in a week-end magazine, satirical comments on the 1968 statistics of the declining population of our federal institutions. It expressed sympathy for the Commissioner of Penitentiaries, Mr. Allan MacLeod, who would find himself with brand new and modern but empty prisons should the diminishing trend keep at the present rate. While it was anticipated to house over 8,000 prisoners, 1,000 more than the previous year, the 1968 figures show that the inmate population was reduced to the 6,000 figure.

After reading this article, I imagined a Walt Disney type of futuristic view of the Canada of tomorrow where our prisons are empty, our guidance over parolees is 100% successful and criminals have turned to honest citizens.

Then, I came to realize the consequences of such a model country. Our whole economy would be at stake since all those individuals presently employed in the field of criminology would be forced to seek other employment.

We would witness a line-up at the door of the Manpower Department, members of our police forces — municipal, provincial and federal; judges and lawyers; teachers in the faculties of Law and Criminology; Ministers of Justice; the Solicitor General; Attorney Generals; Chairmen of Parole Boards and all of their staff. It would include also reformatory and penitentiary guards, parole and probation officers and all social workers in the numerous agencies across the country.

I was awakened to reality by a member of the registry staff who came into my office with the daily heavy load of cases to be reviewed.

A Parole Analyst



T. George Street, Q.C.

HEADQUARTERS

Our Chairman, Mr. George Street was re-appointed in January for another 10 year term. Since Mr. Street has been with this Service for 10 years many of us know his background, but as the Service is ever increasing there are new employees who will be interested I am sure, to learn of his years before the National Parole Board.

Mr. Street graduated from Osgoode Hall Law School in 1939 and practised law in Welland from 1939 to 1941. From 1941 to 1945 he went with the Canadian Army overseas.

He served with the Saskatoon Light Infantry in Sicily and Italy; he served as Air Liaison Officer in Yugoslavia, Greece and Corsica; he came back to Canada in 1945 with the 48th Highlanders and was discharged with the rank of Captain. 1946 to 1947 saw him practise law again in Welland and from 1948 to 1959 he was the Magistrate for the City of Welland.

In April of 1956 he was also appointed Deputy Judge of the Juvenile and Family Court for the City of Welland.

On January 1, 1959 he was appointed Chairman of the National Parole Board and on November 17, 1960 he was appointed Queen's Council. Mr. Street has taken a great interest in learning the French language and now is bilingual.

We wish to thank Mr. Street for all the good work he has done in the past for the Parole Service.

Wedding bells are working overtime – they have already peeled for Miss Claudette Helie on August 10 and now she is Mrs. LaCasse – soon after, Miss Evelyn Davidson received her engagement ring and plans to be married this spring – and Miss Louise Villeneuve received her ring at Christmas, she and her fiance set the date for June 14th.

We have two new Parole Analysts at Headquarters. Mrs. J. Gardner joined us on October 15. Before coming to Ottawa she was the Executive Secretary of the Elizabeth Fry Society in Kingston.

Mr. J.L. Paulhus came to work with us on August 26, who previous to this was Deputy Director of Careers, Land and Logistics/Security Men.

Mrs. Marg Lalonde spent two wonderful weeks in Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Pasadena where she had a roadside view of the colourful Rosebowl Parade.

On December 12 the Bowling League had their Annual Christmas Party and Mrs. Judy Elichuk was kind enough to offer her home for the occasion. The Bowling League invited, along with Mr. Street, Mr. Miller and Mr. Leroux, our Miss National Parole Board – Louise McSorley. All had such a good time that we thought we would take a few pictures to remember it by.



Sing Along With Fern –

Left to Right, Lynda Firth, Yoland LaCasse, Pierrette Cloutier, Ola Melnychenko, Ron Richer, Doreen Shouldice, Ron Facette, Evelyn Davidson, Stan MacDonald and playing those ivory keys, Fern Albert.

HEADQUARTERS



Miss National Parole Board, *Miss Louise McSorley*.

"You'll never believe this, but we have Miss National Parole Board in our audience tonight," said Diamond Lil at the Skyline Hotel recently. Our own Louise McSorley had to take a bow.

"I thought someone was putting me on at first," Diamond Lil (Sylvia Thorne) said.

As you can see Headquarters never has a dull moment around this time of year.

Lynda Firth

Much to our regret Judy Elichuk of the Steno pool is leaving us for a new position in the Department of Justice. At present she is recuperating in the hospital from an illness. As a result, I am taking over her duties as the Headquarters' representative for Insight.

We all were surprised to see Elaine Wilson, a former co-worker at Headquarters who now is working in our Vancouver office. She just happened (?) to arrive just as we were about to have our Christmas lunch and joined in with us helping to finish the fried chicken. We hope she enjoyed herself as much as we did.

Many officers across the country are taking Education Leave. At Headquarters, John Townesend, Parole Analyst is taking a University course in Masters of Correctional Administration at the Ottawa University.

There have been a few changes in positions as Miss Cecile Schryburt originally from the pool is now Mr. Leroux's secretary and Mrs. Terry Rose originally Mr. Leroux's secretary is now Supervisor of the Pool.

Despite the joy of the season many of the staff were taken ill. John Mowry, Case Investigation Supervisor, David Johnston, Parole Analyst and Gerard Genest, Chief, Parole Supervision are welcomed back and are wished good health in the future. Donald Renaud, Assistant to Mr. Genest, is still not back with us and we hope that he will be back in the near future.



Up To His Old Tricks —
Left to Right, Mrs. Judy Elichuk (our hostess), Mrs. Jean Lett, Mr. Hector Leroux, Mrs. Terry Bourne and Miss Ola Melnychenko.



We Could Have Danced All Night —
Left to Right, Mrs. Marg Watt and Mr. Frank Miller.



Having An Informal Pow-Wow!!! —
Left to Right, Mr. Les England and Mr. George Street.

FAREWELL



On December 31, 1968 all members of Headquarters staff assembled to say farewell to Mr. Edmison who was with the Board for 10 years. Mr. Miller presented Mr. Edmison with a leather briefcase. Mr. Edmison was pleased to receive the many telegrams sent to him by friends and from Field Offices. Mr. Miller expressed, on behalf of all the staff, their gratitude for Mr. Edmison's many dedicated years of service.

APPOINTMENT



This year we welcome a new Board Member, Dr. Ralph Dent who was appointed to the National Parole Board December 17, 1968. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto with a B.A. and M.A. in Psychology.

Dr. Dent was active in numerous activities; he was formerly with the John Howard Society; he founded Convicts Anonymous in Toronto, an organization for prisoner rehabilitation which runs along the same lines as Alcoholics Anonymous; and he was Professor at Acadia University and the Ontario Agricultural College in Guelph.

In 1966, Dr. Dent moved to Peru. Here he was in charge of a graduate program in Communications at La Molina University until 1968. Since then he has been an industrial consultant with Westinghouse of Hamilton and the American Telephone and Telegraph, New York City.

We hope that Dr. Dent will find his stay here with the Parole Board pleasant, interesting and fulfilling.

NEW BRANCH

While "Insight" is primarily for "internal news of the National Parole Service", sometimes our distance from field offices prompts us to define "internal" as what occurs within our building. Recently, we have noted a growing group of new neighbours and colleagues whose time seems to be engaged in plotting plans and meeting with federal, provincial and private correctional authorities across Canada.

A certain air of mystery has developed around these personalities as they are neither members of the Parole nor Penitentiary Services but seem

interested in both. While they are federal employees, they seem to spend much time in the company of provincial and private correctional personnel.

In order to dispense with the enigma created by their presence, we wish to identify them and give some indication of their mission.

JOHN W. BRAITHWAITE

DIRECTOR OF CORRECTIONAL PLANNING



John is a former Warden of the Haney Correctional Institution and a former consultant to the Canadian Committee on Corrections. He left his native British Columbia, in body if not in soul, in May, 1967, to establish the Correctional Planning Branch of the Departmental Headquarters.

He is responsible for the development of federal correctional policies and programs and cooperates with provincial and private correctional officials in developing new approaches to the correction of offenders. Some of the more recent projects in which he has been associated include the implementation of recommendations contained in the Report of the Department of Justice Committee on Juvenile Delinquency; the development of a new system of providing funds to private after-care agencies; a project to make bonding opportunities more available to ex-inmates and an endeavour to implement certain recommendations contained in the Report "Indians and the Law".

In addition, John helped represent Canada at the United Nations Conference on Social Defence held in Geneva in August, 1968.

While he is interested in helping to improve programs within correctional institutions, he is a firm believer in citizen participation, community involvement and community-based correctional programs.

DONALD R. McCOMB

**CHIEF, CORRECTIONAL CONSULTATION
CENTRE**



Don joined the Correctional Planning Branch in September, 1968, also coming from British Columbia, where he had extensive experience in delinquency prevention and community work with the Y.M.C.A. and the Boys' Clubs of Canada. Don has a Master's Degree in Social Work and was a part-time faculty member in the group work and community organization sections of the School of Social Work at U.B.C. In Vancouver, Don helped pioneer detached worker programs working with alienated or hostile youth.

The Correctional Consultation Centre was originally recommended by the Department of Justice Committee on Juvenile Delinquency as a Youth and Delinquency Research and Advisory Council. However, the proposed services appeared to be sufficiently worthwhile to expand the program to cover all phases of corrections, either adult or juvenile. Thus, the Correctional Consultation Centre or CCC which some people have interpreted to mean Cool, Calm and Collected!

Very briefly, the services that are being offered to provincial and private organizations are to collect and distribute information of interest to the field; to provide the consultative services of specialists to various organizations on a short-term basis; helping solve program problems and the support of demonstration or action research projects designed to innovate and evaluate new developments in the prevention, treatment and control of crime and delinquency.

At the present time, Don is travelling across Canada meeting with provincial and private correctional organizations and he may very well be visiting your office to enlist your support.

DR. JUSTIN CIALE
CHIEF OF CORRECTIONAL RESEARCH



Dr. Ciale joined the staff of the Correctional Planning Branch in January, 1969, coming from the University of Montreal where he not only taught but was responsible for the direction of research in the Department of Criminology. He was also Psychological Consultant to the Société d'Orientation et Réhabilitation Sociale and responsible for the diagnosis of cases selected by that agency. In this way he helped in the selection of candidates for parole. In addition, from 1955 to 1960, Dr. Ciale was employed as the Senior Psychologist at St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary. As a result, he has an appreciation gained from experience in the operation of the National Parole Service and the Canadian Penitentiary Service.

Dr. Ciale was a Consultant to the Canadian Committee on Corrections and in that capacity acted as Chairman of the Work Group on Parole.

At the present time Dr. Ciale is developing a policy for research within the Department of the Solicitor General. He will be responsible for coordinating all research projects that are carried on within the Department as well as projects that are carried on by universities, private organizations or centres of criminology. Much of his work will dovetail with that of Mr. McComb in preparing the research designs for demonstration projects made possible through the Correctional Consultation Centre.

As a result of combining responsibilities of planning innovation and evaluation within one unit, it is hoped that the rate of development of correctional change in Canada will be accelerated.

MRS. FREDA HARRIS
LIBRARIAN

Mrs. Harris joined the department in January of this year and, like her male colleagues, is the first incumbent in this new position.

Mrs. Harris was formerly Librarian-Editor for the Canadian Council for Research and Education. As she was responsible for producing a quarterly index of all articles and publications of matters pertaining to education, it is her hope that once she has established a departmental library and related services that she might develop a similar index for all staff for the field of corrections.

Mrs. Harris has had previous work experience with the World Health Organization in Geneva. She has also travelled extensively while employed with the Department of External Affairs and she served in the Canadian Embassies in Dublin and Rome.

While the departmental library will be located in Ottawa, it is felt that services may be provided to all regional offices of the Parole Service in the not too distant future. Such services would include selected reading lists, consultative services on staff development programs, and assistance in solving problems of finding materials on specific subjects of interest to the field.

(A note of friendly warning—Mrs. Harris has the assurance of R.C.M.P. support in tracking down those who are tardy in returning books!).

It is our opinion that these additional new services of providing information, evaluation and innovation will be of assistance to all who work with parolees. At the same time, all of these new members of the Headquarters family have indicated that the achievement of their individual and collective goals will be easier to achieve with the assistance of Parole staff and they earnestly seek your support and cooperation.

One final comment, Messrs. Braithwaite, McComb and Ciale, all being newcomers to Ottawa, found themselves residents of a new subdivision known as Beacon Hill. As a result, they have had to suffer the inappropriate collective nickname of "The Beacon Hill Mafia". We assure you their endeavours are directed towards much more positive goals.

WINNIPEG

The Winnipeg Regional Office Staff has almost recovered from the seasonal festivities. The staff members and their dates were royally entertained with a majestic feast and the angelic voices of the Begieneman family. The gallant men demonstrated their appreciation of the secretarial staff by treating them to an exquisitely prepared meal at the Fort Garry Hotel. Dave Rempel attended a Christmas Mass at the Manitoba Penitentiary and enjoyed a dinner with the employees of the Catholic Welfare Bureau. Our office also received invitations from the R.C.M. Police and the Manitoba Probation Service to attend their Christmas parties. The Manitoba Penitentiary inmates contributed to the spirit of the season by presenting a Christmas concert which included a humorous skit on the National Parole Service where only quinquagenarians were accepted for parole. We greatly appreciated the Christmas Greetings received from the Parole Service offices across Canada. Thank you.

We were very fortunate to have received visits during the past few months from Mr. Street, Mr. Leroux, and a pleasant unexpected visit from Mr. Reeves. As a result of the meetings of the Interdepartmental Work Group on Indians and the Law, we had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Braithwaite on several occasions. Despite the tight schedule followed by Mr. Street and Mr. Leroux, the staff was very pleased to have had the opportunity to meet with them socially. We are very sure that Mr. Leroux particularly enjoyed the noon hour entertainment in Winnipeg.

The members of our office have been very industrious in the past few months. The birth of Natasha on August 14th, 1968 to the Hamblin's had a dual effect of making David Rempel a spiritual father and Gary Hamblin a father for the second time. Gary has seemed a little uneasy since Dave now considers Joy Hamblin to be his spiritual wife! The Begieneman's recently increased their number of daughters to four with the delightful addition of Mary Jane and on April 15th at 2:00 p.m. expect to have a fifth addition. Dave Rempel was pleased to gain a son-in-law, (Butch) Issacs, through the marriage of his daughter Eleanor. Opposed to this trend, Margaret Scott has experienced a decrease in her family since her son decided to explore Europe.

Unfortunately for us our summer student placement, Laverne Lewycky, has returned to university. However, we were greatly surprised when just before Christmas, Santa Claus bounced gingly

into the office distributing candy canes with a Ho! Ho! Ho! that greatly resembled Laverne's laughter.

We regret the departure of Dorothea Desormeaux to the Postal Department following seven years of dedicated service. Always anxious to assist others, she will be greatly missed by all of us. A farewell dinner was held by the Rempel's for Dorothea which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. We are also sorry to have lost our "office doll", Lynn Clark, whose services were shown appreciation by a farewell party given by the Phelps's.

We are pleased to welcome to our staff two attractive and efficient new secretaries, Gay Campbell and Florence Stewart. Florence is formerly of the Department of Veterans Affairs while Gay recently completed high school.

James A. Phelps

Gay Campbell



Left to right we have James Phelps, Gay Campbell, Rein Begieneman, Dave Rempel, Florence Stewart, Gary Hamblin. Seated at her desk is Margaret Scott.

GROANS FROM "FORT" EDMONTON

Since the first edition of "Insight" which contained the last contribution of the Northern Alberta Polar Bear Club as represented by the Edmonton Regional office the hand of time having writ moved on—but like some writers of "Cum Sums" in this venerable organization "my God he writ a lot".

The enfeebled organization was bolstered by the arrival from Calgary in May 1968 of Ron H. Kur (not with a C) who came to the National Parole Service from the Alberta Probation Service in March. Ron is a graduate social worker from

UBC and so newly married that he still believes in the equality of the sexes.

On the first of August there was a detectable change in the pulse of the Regional engine which was co-incidental with the arrival of "Bob" Gillies as Regional Representative. Things were soon rolling along in high gear and Bob is living up to the reputation which preceded him — a great deal of seemingly inexhaustable energy confined in a somewhat small sized container.

Mrs. Wendy Wolanski resigned in September to devote her energies to the homemaking tasks and her departure was quickly followed by Miss Dianne Carmichael who is now Mrs. Richard Criss, living in Alsask, Saskatchewan where her husband is serving with the RCAF.

As we say farewell to these ladies we bid welcome to their capable and charming replacements, Miss Anne McCarthy who comes to us from the Department of National Health and Welfare in Ottawa and takes over the ST4 position.

We also welcome Miss Lucille Rioux who hails from St. Boniface, Manitoba. Mademoiselle Rioux worked for the Public Service Commission in Winnipeg before seeing the wisdom of taking the Polar Route.

Still with us is our quietly efficient and indispensable Mrs. Lynne Jordan whose pleasant personality does much to enrich the atmosphere in our small organization.

Before making a rather rapid closure to ensure meeting the deadline we would like to acknowledge with appreciation the visits received during the year from Messieurs Street, Miller, Leroux and Miss Vining. Hopefully more frequent and longer visits from representatives of the "high cathedral" to the frontier outposts will occur in the forthcoming year.

James W. Maclean

THERE'S THE WONDERFUL LOVE OF A
BEAUTIFUL MAID,
AND THE LOVE OF A STAUNCH, TRUE MAN,
THE LOVE OF A BABY UNAFRAID
HAS EXISTED SINCE TIME BEGAN.
BUT THE GREATEST LOVE — THE LOVE OF
LOVES
GREATER THAN THE LOVE OF A MOTHER,
IS THE TENDER, PASSIONATE, INFINITE LOVE
OF ONE DRUNKEN BUM FOR ANOTHER.

OUR HISTORICAL CORNER

You may not recognize this nonchalant group at the time the picture was taken. They were, from left to right:

W.F. Carabine, *Assistant Classification Officer
Kingston Penitentiary.*

J.A. Edmison, *Assistant to the Principal,
Queen's University.*

C.A.M. Edwards, *Classification Officer,
Collins Bay Penitentiary.*

F.P. Miller, *Classification Officer,
Kingston Penitentiary.*



Their latest positions:

W.F. Carabine, *Chief, Case Preparation,
National Parole Service
Headquarters.*

J.A. Edmison, *Q.C. (recently retired Board Member,
National Parole Board) Now Profes-
sor of Criminology, Ottawa University.*

C.A.M. Edwards, *Regional Representative,
National Parole Service,
Kingston, Ontario.*

F.P. Miller, *Executive Director,
National Parole Service Headquarters.*

MONTREAL

Les élections annuelles à notre Comité social ont eu lieu à l'automne. Réal Daoust et Denis Trottier ont été confirmés dans leurs postes respectifs alors que Lisette Clermont était élue secrétaire pour remplacer Géraldine La Ramée qui a occupé ce poste depuis la formation de ce comité; la diversité des tâches de Mlle La Ramée l'a obligée cette fois à décliner de s'occuper de ce comité, à son regret. Mlle Clermont est donc

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OUR HYSTERICAL CORNER



"AREN'T THEY CARRYING THIS REHABILITATION THING A LITTLE FAR."

MONTREAL

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maintenant fiduciaire de tous nos fonds et se promène régulièrement avec sa petite caisse de métal. Personne ne sait où elle cache la clef.

Réal Daoust et Lisette Clermont ont organisé de façon magistrale notre party de Noël du 20 décembre. Il faut dire ici que Réal Daoust, lorsqu'il était à l'emploi du Service des pénitenciers, organisait des fêtes pour des centaines de détenus et employés. Il aime cela et, d'ailleurs, son sens d'organisation, dans tout ce qu'il fait, est reconnu de tous ceux qui le connaissent. Notre party a eu lieu le 20 décembre. La mangeaille était excellente et a disparu en un clin d'oeil. La liquidation du liquide a été plus laborieuse, mais nous en sommes venus à bout.

Comme à tous les ans, notre vieil ami John Netcoff nous a visités à l'occasion de Noël apportant les plus belles cartes que nous ayons reçues au bureau.

Les trois derniers mois de l'année ont été témoins d'un va-et-vient continu entre Montréal et Laval, ce qui a permis à tous les agents de se mieux connaître et d'apprécier le travail accompli par chacun.

Le 6 janvier, Mme Léveillé a donné à notre Yves, un deuxième garçon. Il suit en cela une longue tradition du bureau de Montréal où personne n'a encore pu apprendre à faire des filles. Nous n'avons pu déterminer s'il s'agit d'un complexe ou d'une allergie.

Mlle Géraldine La Ramée a complété, le 9 décembre 1967, 25 ans de service au gouvernement fédéral, et l'épingle qui symbolise cet accomplissement lui sera décernée lors d'une fête organisée par notre Comité social.

Les gens riches qui vont dans le Sud, cette année, sont Rollande Fillion, Lisette Clermont et Claude Perron. Deux d'entre eux poussent l'outrecuidance, en cet hiver rigoureux, jusqu'à s'aventurer au Mexique. Pourquoi la Terre s'est-elle permise de pencher sur son axe, il y a quelques milliards d'années, nous serions, aujourd'hui, dans un climat tropical au Canada.

André Therrien

PRINCE ALBERT

Brr...it's cold outside, but now that we are at full staff again and comfortably settled down

into the regular routines of work once more, the weather such as it is, is of little consequence.

Our new Officer In Charge, Ed Carleton, comes to us from the John Howard Society. He is a native of Saskatoon, served in the Air Force for three years during World War II, and received his B.S.W. from the School of Social Work at the University of B.C. Prior to his becoming Executive Secretary of the John Howard Society here in Prince Albert and in Saskatoon, he was Assistant Director of the Saskatoon Social Aid Office for a number of years. As we have already discovered, he is quite capable of steering our office through the sometimes stormy periods of parole work.

As well, we have a new Parole Service Officer in the person of Jim Coflin who also comes to us from the John Howard Society. He is a graduate of the University of Saskatchewan. Jim joined our group the day after Labor Day, and what a laborious beginning he had! His wife presented him with an eight pound (plus) daughter on Labor Day, so the fact is that he had two jobs to begin, one here as a PSO and one at home as a father. Which of the two he found more trying is a secret, but would you believe that he's not having a tough time doing either? A note of interest is that Jim worked under Ed with the John Howard Society in Saskatoon. It appears as though they are following each other around the province and just can't bear to be apart! However, they are both very welcome additions to our office.

In November, during the long Remembrance Day weekend, our Mr. Rowe was as busy as a bee at the hospital helping (?) his wife have a baby girl! His daughter is a bit smaller than Jim's, but as they say, size doesn't count! Next time, Art and Jim are arranging for boys, but who knows when? (We don't!).

The official opening of the Saskatoon District Office under Mr. Hart Caslor (formerly from our office) was held in December. Many members of our organization were present and a very enjoyable time was had by all who were fortunate enough to attend! (What do you say girls?).

The male members of our staff, Ed, Jim and Art attended the Penitentiary Christmas party. From comments heard around the office, a great time was had dining, drinking and dancing!

There is, of course, no change in the female section of our office, and as always, the girls work! work! work! Until next time, so long everybody!

Miss Doreen Delorme

Mr. Jim Coflin.

GOODBYE MR. PENNELL



The staff held a farewell reception for Solicitor General Lawrence (Larry) Pennell on the occasion of his appointment to the Supreme Court of Ontario. From left to right; T. George Street, Chairman, National Parole Board, who made the presentation; Gordon Brown, Director, Organization and Personnel, Solicitor General; Miss Pauline Sprague, Legal Officer, Solicitor General; Norman Pope, Director, Organization and Administration, Bernie Benoit, Director, Financial Services, Canadian Penitentiary Service and Solicitor General; Mrs. Marcel Tremblay, secretary; Mrs. William Ashcroft (formerly Betty Ann Trottier,) secretary; Miss Francine Shier, secretary, all Solicitor General's Department; Mr. Pennell; Miss M.L. Lynch, Member, National Parole Board; Gerard Genest, Chief, Parole Supervision and Paul Hart, Director, Administration and Personnel, National Parole Board.



From Left to Right:

Mr. G. Genest, Chief, Parole Supervision, National Parole Board; Mr. Larry Pennell, Solicitor General; Colonel J.R. Stone, Deputy Commissioner of Penitentiaries; Mr. T.G. Street, Chairman, National Parole Board.

SASKATOON

Greetings from the entire staff at the latest (but by no means the least) of the Parole offices. The blessed event took place on October 1st, after the inevitable but minor difficulties and delays. The chosen site in the Financial Building was not available until some time in November, but the local office of the Department of Public Works were kind enough to arrange temporary space for us in the Federal Building, where the staff made us very comfortable and welcome until we moved on November 14th. On that date we got word about 2.00 p.m. that our new office was ready, and that a truck would be at our door in half an hour to move our supplies and equipment. But we were ready (almost) when they arrived, which, needless to say, makes it one of the fastest moves in history.

Our official opening on December 5th was a pleasant and memorable occasion, well attended by lay people, as well as representatives of the police, judiciary and agencies, both government and private. Several came from as far away as Prince Albert and Regina, and personally, I got a real lift from the fact that they were sufficiently interested in our work to travel many miles to grace the occasion.

We were thrilled with the presence of several people from Ottawa. Hon. Otto Lang, Minister without portfolio, represented the Solicitor General, and following the presentation of the key to myself, declared the office officially open. Mr. Street, who acted as Chairman, spoke briefly of the plans, projections and problems of the Parole Service, and his presence gave the gathering an added touch of importance and prestige. Mrs. LeBleu contributed a great deal to the occasion and we were so glad that she was able to attend.



Hon. Otto Lang, MP., presenting key to Hart Caslor, marking official opening of office in Saskatoon.

Mr. Reeves was also present. He came on the scene two days early, and, besides handling many of the important last minute details, managed to disrupt both staff and equipment. P.S. It is not true that he was personally responsible for the fact that our previously reliable Xerox suddenly refused to function. P.S.S. It is a fact, however, that it has worked like a charm since his departure.



Left to Right

F.K. Wright, H.K. Caslor, T.G. Street, Hon. Otto Lang, Sid Shoom, Program Consultant on Corrections, Provincial Dept. of Welfare. Fred Gunn, Supervisor, Saskatoon Office, Provincial Dept. of Welfare. Vern Dallin, President, Saskatoon Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. M. LeBleu (Secretary to the Chairman).



F.K. Wright. Dan Rooney, Asst. Deputy Warden, I/T Sask. Penitentiary (Hidden behind Mr. Jacobson) Mrs. Jacobson, Leif Jacobson, Superintendent, Sask. Penitentiary Farm Annex. Rev. D.J.H. Cook, Past President, Saskatoon Council, John Howard Society of Sask. Most Rev. J.P. Mahoney, R.C. Bishop of Saskatoon. Walford D. Reeves.



Left to right

T. George Street; Hon. Otto Lang, M.P.;
Mayor S.L. Buchwold, Saskatoon.



Left to right

Stewart Vickers, Executive Secretary, Saskatoon
Council, John Howard Society of Sask.
Rev. D.J.H. Cook, Past President, Saskatoon
Council, John Howard Society of Sask.
T.G. Street, Cliff Everson, President, John
Howard Society Sask.
Larry Jaeger, Case Worker, Saskatoon Council,
John Howard Society of Sask.



Left to right

Hart Caslor, Saskatoon; F. Keight Wright, Regina;
T. George Street, Ottawa; Ed Carleton, Prince
Albert.

It is no secret that the manner in which an office functions depends largely on the work of its secretarial staff. This office is extremely fortunate in having the guiding hand of Miss Gladys Ellard, who having had considerable experience in office mechanics and management, was able to undertake the difficult task of setting up a filing system, despite the sudden changes in Head Office thinking and direction. More recently with Department of Indian Affairs and Department of Veterans Affairs, she also brought with her considerable knowledge and acquaintance with penitentiary matters. I hasten to add that it was not as an inmate but as Secretary to the Assistant Commissioner of Penitentiaries in Ottawa. At a meeting of our staff early this year, she was chosen to be our official correspondent for *INSIGHT*.

H. K. Caslor

OTTAWA-HULL

Chers lecteurs d'Insight:

On ne nous a pas lu dans la dernière édition: loin de tous la pensée que nous avons perdu notre dynamisme, au contraire, notre production de "décisions réservées" en fait foi ... (mille excuses à qui de droit!)

Un point culminant à l'approche des Fêtes:—

—"Il est né le divin enfant!" Karl, le digne premier fils de Marie-France et de Jean-Paul (Lupien); 9 livres - 10 onces. Lui y connaît ça! "It's a nice case of water!" C'est un beau cas d'eau (cadeau). À OTTAWA-HULL, nous sommes aussi florissants de B&B. (bébés).

Quant aux commérages locaux, n'allez pas penser que notre proximité du Quartier général nous rend particulièrement intéressants: nous sommes ordinairement les derniers à tout apprendre. Consultez plutôt Kyle et Vince. Ainsi, vous éviterez plusieurs codifications et décodifications de messages. Cette dernière phrase est probablement influencée par le vent de l'heure: la venue récente du Dr. Dent, expert en communications.

A propos, si quelqu'un entendait parler d'augmentation possible à notre personnel, n'hésitez pas à nous le communiquer car notre devise est devenue: "Une secrétaire pour tous... Tous pour deux secrétaires."

Gilles Bédard

Greetings Insighters:—

- “Il est né le divin enfant”
- Jean-Paul Lupien’s baby just had a wife...!

Lo! and behold! indeed, we have an heir. Our first “baby parole” “baby bonus” arrived exceptionally well December 11th, 1968. The little fella’s name is Karl Lupien, 9 pounds - 10 ounces of T.hereafter N.ightwalk and T.alcum. He becomes the first son of a proud pair of parents — Jean-Paul & Marie-France Lupien.

Confucius say:— Happy marriage like game of poker,
You start with pair and end up
with full house.

Alas, folks! it must be realized at this point, that significant staff announcements from here can only be few and distanced. As much as we would like to accommodate our wonderful INSIGHT with gobs of gossip, you see, we are only three — one secretary for all, but...all for two secretaries.

Of course, all we say is true “deau”.

Pierrette Cloutier



“I guess this is harder on you. You’re the out-door type.”

ST. JOHN’S

First of all congratulations to the Editor on an excellent job with Edition No. 2 of “Insight”. The abundance of photographs add to the excellence of this edition and it is most interesting to see staff pictures. We can understand now why Walford is so interested in the pictorial presentations and proffer our gratitude for sharing with us his collection of “Beauties”.

Since our last submission was completed in June past, our present notes cover a six month

period. We look back with disappointment over the past summer and its unfavourable holiday weather. Mrs. MacDonald, our stenographer, managed to use up what little sunshine we had in July and my family had to visit Nova Scotia and New Brunswick to see the sun. Upon our return we met the rain at Port aux Basques and were forced to head for home without spending a night under canvas.

Justin Sullivan visited us from Moncton office this past fall. He was here on a quick, one-day trip to interview staff applicants. We enjoyed his short visit but have mixed feelings about its results. Patrick Wood, who was our main and very valuable contact at the Canada Manpower Center, has now moved to our Hamilton office as a Parole Officer. Hamilton’s gain is a St. John’s loss!

Shortly after Justin’s visit to St. John’s a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Provinces Corrections Association was held in Moncton. The writer and three other directors from Newfoundland attended this meeting where we discussed the plans for the 1969 Annual Conference to be held here in St. John’s. Justin was kind enough to arrange tours of the Springhill Medium Institution and the Dorchester Penitentiary for us. He was also kind enough to give us our first taste of winter weather as we were forced to drive through a raging snowstorm through Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

Don McComb of the Correctional Consultation Center at Ottawa spent two days in our area in early December and we enjoyed meeting another West Coaster. They appear to be a fine breed over there on the other side of our fair land and we look forward to meeting more of them!

Much to our surprise on Sunday, 5 January, during the reshewing on CBC television of the Ecumenical Service sponsored through the Canadian Penitentiaries Service, we were pleased to spot Mr. Miller as he appeared, resplendent in white beard, and looking very serene. For a while we doubted, until his name flashed on the screen. Of course we enjoyed the remainder of the Service also!

As a final note, we are pleased to hear that our friends to the West were “enjoying” real winter storms while we at St. John’s were basking in balmy, spring-like weather. Our first real snow-fall was on 5 January after a green, and thus unusual, Christmas for us Easterners. May you continue to keep our snow up there!

M. Roy Evans

HALIFAX

First of all, we would like to apologize to the staff and editor of "Insight" for not submitting any news briefs for the last edition.

Since our initial contribution, there have been some changes in staff in the Halifax Office. Miss Dianne Dube, who was our ST-4, left us in October to return to her home in Windsor, Ontario. Miss Florence Keeley, who came to us from Saint John, New Brunswick, joined us in December. Mr. David Moore, our new bearded Parole Officer, worked with Family Court in Sydney before joining our staff.

The Unroes and the Lavers' have also had additions. Mr. and Mrs. Unroe have a new daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Lavers were blessed with a son.

We have been kept reasonably busy here in the Halifax Office. We have not had time for any "correctional sleepings". It has been implied that we claim the first Day Parole in the Maritimes. We certainly feel that Day Parole has been so successful here, we are now pushing for Night Paroles to further ease "inmates' frustations."

The staff of the Halifax Office pass on our congratulations to Dr. R.W. Dent on his appointment as a member of the National Parole Board.

While expressing congratulations to Dr. Dent, we express sympathy to the staff of the Moncton Office — can you imagine two "J. Sullivans" in one office!

Julie Magee

VICTORIA

Sooner or later it had to happen. One widely publicized, nationally acclaimed, heretofore untarnished record for being the land of sunshine

and flowers, has been broken. During the holiday period between Christmas and New Year, Victoria had a snow storm such as not been since eighteen-something, with temperatures to match. And it would be useless to suggest that this unusual event was staged as a tourist attraction, because no one, not even visitors from Winnipeg and points, East, was able to navigate in the white stuff — Victoria just isn't equipped with snowplows you see old boy — never need 'em!!

As a consequence, the Victoria Regional Office remained closed on December 31st. Even had we been willing (which we were of course!) to dig, shovel or plow our way down to work on this New Year's eve, we thought it best to heed the warnings and requests of local police forces to stay off the streets. After all, if the Parole Service gets stuck, who is left to bail them out — nobody — it's the end of the line.

Now, from all sides, Victoria is receiving the tongue-in-cheek type of sympathy exemplified by the following memorandum received from Mr. Leroux:

"Re: Office closed on December 31, 1968 — Although I am sorry to learn of the snow storm which made all the roads impassable in the Victoria area on the above date, it is somewhat reassuring for us winter hardened Easterners to discover that Victoria is occasionally subjected to some of our hardships. We are so accustomed to considering the lower part of Vancouver Island as the land of Eternal Spring that our compassion will be tempered by this evidence that you really are part of Canada. I have passed your memorandum to Miss Vining but I am sure that like myself she will not give this 'event' any undue publicity."

N.B. We've always *felt* we were part of Canada, but perhaps this snow storm will put us on the map now!

Suzanne Fowler



ABBOTSFORD

From Mr. J.A. Phillips, District Officer:

"I was preparing to distribute a clever New Year's card (bi-lingual, of course) depicting this office basking in the Banana Belt of Canada, but then we were hit by sub-zero temperatures and two feet of snow. We are still trying to dig out. We are not really prepared for this sort of thing as the rest of Canada probably is. On my Ranch we have been hauling water in buckets from the creek for the past three weeks, ever since the pump froze. Lots of snow is no problem if you have a jeep and three teen-age boys to wield the shovels. By the way, can we charge 26¢ a mile when we are in 4-wheel drive?"

From Mr. T.A. Stott, Field Parole Officer:

"Our family just recently emigrated from Edmonton, Alberta in the hopes that 'this land of the pale blue snow, with its 99° below' would remain some 808 miles (as per Travel Claim) behind us. However, judging by the seven-and-one-half-foot snow drift beside the barn—we are country folks out here—it is obvious that we have brought this frosty delight with us for the pleasure of the Natives in darkest British Columbia. While this feat would not come as a surprise to other Albertans who have in the past been enticed from Ernie's Country to this under-developed, tax-ridden part of Canada, this "Act of God" was certainly overdone. However, never fear, the Town Crier has just posted a proclamation which indicates that this period of 40 days and 40 nights (natch) of lackasunshine is fast drawing to a close. Hereafter, the Monsoon Season is destined to set in a week earlier this year and should prove some obstacle to the rice farmers. As if the rationing of rubber boots wasn't enough in this area, a fellow by the name of Noah is urging everyone to pair up and build that boat now . . . ducks and penguins never had it so good.

Be-that-as-it-may, I am very happy to be employed with the Parole Service in an area where a double garage is not a status symbol but rather a double seater is the indicator of a social position."

From Mr. P.A. Dueck, Field Parole Officer:

On Getting Adjusted to my new Job with the National Parole Service

The process of getting accustomed to any new job, the National Parole Service not excluded, is both frustrating and interesting. Upon my arrival at the Davy Crockett Building in Abbotsford, the staff there gave me that "Yes-Parolee-may-we-help-you" look since they had not been

informed of my coming and also because I had a rather "then" scruffy quarter-inch beard.

I had more luck with my new landlord who substantially reduced my rent when he discovered that I was born on the best possible day (from a horoscopic point of view, that is). However, for the first few weeks, not even this bit of good fortune was enough to convince my wife that basically there is little difference between Abbotsford and Vancouver.

When it was finally confirmed on the basis of an "interim allowance" cheque stub that I was in the right job at the right place and the correct time, I was floored to find that my pay cheque was at the mercy of those electronically speedy computers who have difficulty or are unwilling to program new employees.

The local bank manager, however, had become familiar with such problems over the last few years. But not so the girl who completed my loan form on which she wrote "Employer: National Payroll Service!"

And, of course, there were other small difficulties such as finding a proficient and honest VW mechanic and the problem of overeating at the Institution smorgsbord. The job itself? — no problems and just great!

From the Stenographers:

May Rheame was seen the other morning standing on the corner of Walnut and Maple patiently waiting for her ride to work with a local librarian who unknown to Mrs. Rheame was that very morning stranded in Vancouver.

Dorothy Avery has decided to give up the doubtful advantages of apartment living to return home. She recently purchased a 1968 Viva and is finding much pleasure in making trips around the Valley and across the Border.

May Rheame



"Indictment, life sentence, parole! Indictment, life sentence, parole! I tell ya, I'm in a rut!"

CALGARY

There is very little news to report from the Calgary Regional Office.

Miss Edie Edwards became the bride of Greg Voszler on September 28, 1968. Our best wishes go to Greg and Edie. About the end of October Greg was transferred to Lethbridge, Alberta and, for some reason, Edie decided to leave us. We were very fortunate in obtaining as a replacement Mrs. Eleanor Woods, whose husband was transferred to Calgary from Saskatoon, Sask.

Mr. Jackson is attending the School of Social Welfare at the University of Calgary on a full-time basis and, from all reports, is doing extremely well. Mr. Harshman is taking two credit courses at the University of Calgary and he, too, is doing very well.

Mr. Harshman's wife, Shari, has just completed her nurse's training and was a member of the first graduating class from the new Foothills Hospital. Congratulations, Shari! Hope the "R.N.'s" weren't too stiff.

We have two student placements in our office; Mr. R. Rechner from the School of Social Welfare at the University of Calgary, and Mr. R. LaHaye from the Community Services Career Program at Mount Royal Junior College.

The Christmas and New Year holidays were duly celebrated by "get-togethers" at the Spiro and Whidden homes. Despite several severe cases of the 'Flu (Asian, Hong Kong, or what have you), we managed to survive the holiday season.

The weather has been very cold with a lot of snow. Brain's frozen; fingers are numb; and until whoever stole our Chinooks sends one back, that's it for this time.

Happy 1969 to all!

Mrs. Norma Whidden.

VANCOUVER

Looking back at 1968 the Vancouver office has had a busy year, both in our Parole Work and social activities. In August Kyle Stevenson, our Regional Representative, married Joan McCandless, a Classification Officer at the B.C. Penitentiary, thereby creating a "closer liaison" with that

Institution. In August also, we bade farewell to one of our Officers, *Colin Sheppard* who left for Peterborough to be District Officer in Charge of that newly opened office. A farewell party for Colin was held at the home of *Al. Byman*, our Assistant Regional Representative. *Al.* has a home that lends itself to parties with swimming pool and all.

In September many of our staff members diligently registered for night school courses. *Jacque Marlor* registered for classes in First Year University, English and fencing. *Elaine Wilson* who transferred to the Vancouver office from Headquarters in September registered for a course in Yoga. *Marian Yaremy* began taking Guitar lessons. *Rollie Bishop*, one of our Officers who specializes with drug addicts on parole registered at Simon Fraser University in the Behavioural Sciences. His course is leading to an M.A. Degree. *Rollie* is still working part time in the office.

In March, *Frank Mullally* transferred to the Vancouver office from the Calgary office. Frank and his wife Fran, welcomed a new daughter into their home on December 9, 1968.

John Parker, formerly a Counsellor at Haney Correctional Institution joined the National Parole Service in December and spent the last two weeks of December in the Vancouver office before joining the Hamilton Staff.

December is always a busy month in any Parole office, what with Christmas releases and activities of the holiday season. The Vancouver office was no exception. The Christmas staff party was held at the home of *Al. Byman*. The highlight of our Christmas party was roast suckling pig which was suggested and prepared under the capable supervision of *Dragan Cernetic*, Parole Service Officer in the Vancouver office.

The Vancouver offices are located in the Department of Veterans Affairs building. Every year the D.V.A. staff send us an invitation to the Christmas party. This year our staff attended in full force and enjoyed many free drinks, an excellent smorgasbord and dancing to a live orchestra.

All of our staff have commented on the excellent publication "INSIGHT". The pictures are particularly interesting and we hope to provide pictures of interest to the staff of other Offices in future publications.

D.L.G. Dryden

GUELPH

At the Guelph Parole office,
Now we are three –
Soon will be four –
To care for the O.R.G.
And five provincial gaols more.
In community assessments
and parole supervision,
and cumulative summaries
We're very efficient.
In the morning it's coffee,
In the afternoon tea
That keeps us alive
To get the work done
And go home by five.

– Mrs. E. Wagner

Mrs. Wagner, our Steno 3, came on staff in November and may have been inspired to write the above after Irving Layton arrived at the University of Guelph earlier this month to become Resident Poet. In any event, we're glad she's here after leaving her former employment with Biltmore Hats Limited. Mrs. Wagner has seven children and is active in church affairs and Community Concerts. As a resident in Guelph for some years, she is, of course, very knowledgeable about local situations. Yet you could hardly label her "parochial" as she has travelled extensively in Europe, the British Isles and to Russia, where she purchased a rather attractive winter fur hat and if, for some reason, we are not feeling well, Mrs. Wagner, more than likely, will prescribe a home remedy which she learned during her Bible College training days in preparation for work in the mission field.

Bruce Black, his wife and three children, with his German Shepherd dog "Rex", joined us in early December. From all reports they have been able to adjust comfortably after leaving the rarefied air of Ottawa. The family will be moving into a newly constructed home in March in Guelph.

We have had other visitors – the Chairman for our Opening Day in October, with Walford Reeves; Hector Leroux on our very first day along with the Bell Telephone; furniture movers and a French-speaking couple who had driven all the way from Quebec to this city to get parole for their son in order to take him back to school, and Roger Beames from Toronto. Incidentally, in the event that you do not hear of it in this issue of *INSIGHT*, all the staff in the Toronto office are alive and well. Lou Hunt "the Swinging Grampa" dropped in for two weeks in October to look after

the store while I was in Ottawa for a week, being orientated amongst other things. This visit to Ottawa will remain as one of my highlights in the National Parole Service. The hospitality at headquarters was most appreciated. Might I suggest to any other bachelors in the service who have never been to headquarters, try to arrange a trip there, even if you have to use your vacation to do so! Exercise some self-control because it may turn out to be the week that never was.

John H. Lawrence

UN SYSTÈME ÉCONOMIQUE BIEN BALANCÉ

Je suis demeuré longtemps perplexe à la lecture d'un article satyrique dans une revue hebdomadaire qui commentait la diminution du nombre de prisonniers dans nos pénitenciers fédéraux durant l'année 1968. L'on sympathisait avec monsieur Allan MacLeod, Commissaire des Pénitenciers, devant l'inutilité flagrante de son programme de construction progressive de donjons additionnels si dans moins de dix ans, nos pénitenciers étaient vides.

Qu'advierait-il en effet si tous nos libérés conditionnels emboîtaient le pas et n'avaient plus maille à partir avec le loi et si tous nos citoyens étaient honnêtes.

Ce serait, j'en suis convaincu, une débâcle générale. Les emplois de toutes les personnes mêlées de près ou de loin à ce domaine particulier qu'est la criminologie seraient dangereusement compromis.

Nous verrions aux portes du ministère de la Main d'oeuvres tous les policiers municipaux, provinciaux et fédéraux, nos juges et nos avocats, nos professeurs de facultés de criminologie et de droit, les ministres de la justice, les procureurs généraux, les solliciteurs généraux, le président des Commissions des libérations conditionnelles et tous les membres de leur personnel, y inclus les gardes de prisons et de pénitenciers, les officiers de probation et de services connexes, de même que nos travailleurs sociaux dans les nombreuses agences réparties dans le pays.

En un mot, c'est l'économie du pays qui en souffrira.

Excusez-moi, on frappe à ma porte. Je retrousse mes manches et commence ma journée puisque l'on m'apporte, comme à tous les jours, ces nombreux dossiers qui me mettent en face de la réalité.

Analyste

The following rules and regulations which were issued by the proprietor of a business firm in Sydney, Australia in 1852 for the guidance of his employees, recently came to light. It will be seen that labour conditions have improved considerably since "the good old days".

1. Godliness cleanliness and punctuality are the necessities of good business.
2. On the recommendation of the Governor of this Colony, this firm has reduced the hours of work, and the clerical staff will now only have to be present between the hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on week days.
3. Daily prayers will be held each morning in the main office. The clerical staff will be present.
4. Clothing must be of a sober nature. The clerical staff will not disport themselves in raiment of bright colours nor will they wear hose, unless in good repair.
5. Overshoes and top-coats may not be worn in the office, but neck scarves and headwear may be worn in inclement weather.
6. A stove is provided for the benefit of the clerical staff. Coal and wood must be kept in locker. It is recommended that each member of the clerical staff bring 4 pounds of coal, each day, during cold weather.
7. No member of the clerical staff may leave the room without permission from Mr. Rogers. The calls of nature are permitted, and the clerical staff may use the garden below the second gate. This area must be kept in good order.
8. No talking is allowed during business hours.
9. Craving for tobacco, wines, or spirits is a human weakness, and as such, is forbidden to all members of the clerical staff.
10. Now that the hours of business have been drastically reduced, the partaking of food is allowed between 11:30 a.m. and noon, but work will not, on any account cease.
11. Members of the clerical staff will provide their own pens. A new sharpener is available on application to Mr. Rogers.
12. Mr. Rogers will nominate a senior clerk to be responsible for the cleanliness of the main office, and the private office, and all boys and juniors will report to him 40 minutes before prayers, and will remain after closing hours for similar work. Brushes, brooms, scrubbers, and soap are provided by the owners.

13. The new increased weekly wages are as here-under detailed:

Junior Boys (to 11years).....	1/4d.
Boys (to 14 years)	2 1d.
Juniors.....	4/8d.
Juniors clerks	8/7d.
Clerks.....	10/9d.
Seniors clerks (after 15 years with the Owners.....	21½-d.

The owners hereby recognize the generosity of the new labour laws but will expect a great rise in output of work to compensate for these near Utopian conditions.

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WE GET LETTERS

Reverend Paul W. Alvin

The Holy Ghost Temperance Society,
Charlotte and Rideau Streets,
Ottawa 2, Ontario

Dear Mr. Reeves;

Perhaps you have heard of me and my nation wide campaign in the cause of temperance. Each year, for the past fourteen years, I have made a tour of the Provinces of Canada and delivered a series of lectures on the **EVILS OF DRINKING**.

On these tours, I have been accompanied by my friend and assistant, Roger Forsythe. Roger was a pathetic case—a young man of good family and excellent background, whose life was ruled, and also ruined, because of excessive indulgence in whiskey, gin and rum. How much better it would have been had he turned to the Lord.

Roger would appear with me on my lectures and sit on the platform, drooling at the mouth and staring at the audience through bleary, bloodshot eyes, while I pointed him out as an example of what drink would do.

Last summer, unfortunately, poor Roger died. A mutual friend has given me your name, and I wonder if you would care to accompany me on my fall tour and take poor Roger's place.

Yours in good Faith and Spirit,

Reverend Paul W. Alvin.

**A Summary of some of the Ecumenical Services
Held in Ottawa and Institutions Across the
Country as a Means of Highlighting
Citizen Participation**

Headquarters

Sunday, December 8, a national Ecumenical Service of Justice and Mercy, sponsored by the Solicitor General, The Hon. George J. McIlraith, took place at Christ Church Cathedral, Ottawa, in the presence of their Excellencies the Governor General and Mrs. Michener. Twenty-five inmates from Joyceville, 12 inmates from Leclerc and 15 R.C.M.P. joined with the Cathedral Choir, directed by S/Inspector W. Bramwell Smith, Supervisor of Music, R.C.M.P., Dr. Ernest Gordon, Dean of the Chapel, Princeton University and author of "Through the Valley of the Kwai", where he was a prisoner of war of the Japanese, gave the address.

The lessons were read by Harvey Blackstock, an ex-inmate of Kingston Penitentiary and E.A. Côté, the newly appointed Deputy Solicitor General.



Harvey Blackstock, an ex-inmate of Kingston Penitentiary and author of the book, Bitter Humour, who read a Lesson.



Left to right, Deputy Solicitor General Ernest A. Côté (who read a Lesson), Solicitor General McIlraith and Mrs. McIlraith.

Mr. McIlraith; A.J. MacLeod, Commissioner of Penitentiaries; M.F.A. Lindsay, Commissioner of the R.C.M.P.; T. George Street, Chairman, National Parole Board were in attendance with their wives.

Others taking part in the Service were The Very Rev. Dean Gartrell, The Most Rev. J.R. Windle, Roman Catholic Auxiliary Bishop of Ottawa, The President of the Ottawa Council of Churches. The Rt. Rev. E.S. Reed, Anglican Bishop of Ottawa gave the blessing.



*The prayers were said by: (left to right)
Lt. Col. W. Poulton, Salvation Army;
Mr. W. Sherk, Probation Service (Ottawa);
Mr. Frank Miller, Parole Service;
Father Neil Libby, St. Leonard's House, Windsor;
Mr. R. Ramsay, John Howard Society (Ottawa);
Miss Phyllis Haslam, Elizabeth Fry Society (Toronto); Rev. Jean Paul Régimbal, President Canadian Correctional Chaplains Association;
Rev. Dr. Maurice Flint, Senior Chaplin, Ontario Department of Correctional Service; Rev. John A. Nickels, Assistant Director, Social Education, Canadian Penitentiary Service.*

An overflow congregation of 1,243 persons attended, including members of the Canadian Penitentiary Service, Parole Board, R.C.M.P. and inmates, ex-inmates and families, members of Social Agencies and the general public took part in the Service.

Five hundred people attended a reception in the Cathedral Hall following the Service. A collection of \$506.31 was sent to the Vanier Institute of the Family.

The Service received a one hour national television broadcast on both French and English CBC networks, CTV news coverage, radio and press. The working committee was comprised of the Rev. John A. Nickels, Social Education, Canadian Penitentiaries Service; Mr. J.R.G. Surprenant, Director of Liaison, Canadian

Penitentiaries Service; Cpl. Garth Hampson, Royal Canadian Mounted Police; and Mr. Walford D. Reeves, Information Officer, National Parole Board.



Overall view of Christ Church Cathedral with Dr. Ernest Gordon in pulpit.



A section of the Special choir composed of inmates from Joyceville and Leclerc institutions, R.C.M.P. choiristers, men and boys of Christ Church Cathedral.



Governor-General Roland Michener accepting an autographed copy of Dr. Ernest Gordon's best-seller, "Through the Valley of the Kwai," from Dr. Gordon. Mrs. Michener is on their right.



Left to right, Dr. Ernest Gordon, Solicitor General J. McIlraith and Mrs. McIlraith. (Mrs. Michener is in the background.)



Madame Vanier, left, speaking with Miss Phyllis Haslam, Exec. Director, Elizabeth Fry Society, Toronto Branch.



This view shows a part of the 1,000 or more people who remained for the informal coffee reception in the Cathedral hall. Those attending rubbed shoulders with a great cross-section of persons, including those involved in the work of corrections, R.C.M.P., inmates of our institutions, high ranking officers of church and country and members of the public concerned about community involvement in our prison programs.

TAKEN FROM HANSARD DATED
FEBRUARY 13, 1969

*Quoted during debates on second reading of C-150
the Omnibus Criminal Code bill.*

MR. HAROLD E. WINCH (VANCOUVER EAST)

This is a very important bill, Mr. Speaker. It goes beyond the Criminal Code because, as hon. members have undoubtedly noted, it will also amend the Parole Act, the Penitentiary Act and the Prisons and Reformatories Act. I would like to deal for a moment with the matter of probation and parole, I am glad that we are moving forward, but I am sorry that the understanding and the viewpoint of the Department of Justice are so far behind the philosophy of modern penology. We are already years behind what is taking place in other countries with respect to probation and parole on a rehabilitation basis. Even with the suggested amendments we are still going to be years behind. Unfortunately, it would appear that this matter has been tackled, by whoever it was who made the study, in a slipshod and haphazard manner. No recognition was given of a fact which I think all penologists recognize, as well as organizations interested in penology. We need one completely comprehensive act in respect of probation and parole rather than a scattered or almost piecemeal approach.

We are all happy that in recent years there have been more people let out of reformatories and penitentiaries on parole. I think it is significant that, according to the commissioner of the parole board here in Ottawa, in the last ten years, 23,943 prisoners have been released on parole. Conclusive proof that this system of parole under proper supervision is successful is the fact that of the 23,943 only 2,675 were returned to the penitentiaries. Of those, only 1,347 were returned because they had again taken up a life of crime. The others apparently had broken some of the conditions of parole. These conditions state that a paroled prisoner cannot go into a beer parlour, cannot move from town without permission, cannot change his job without permission and other things of this nature. Some of these prisoners were returned for these reasons but of the 23,943 approximately 1,500 did return to a life of crime. This fact should indicate that we should enlarge or increase our parole system. I hope that in the not too distant future we begin to catch up with the federal policy in the United States.

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MR ANDREW BREWIN (GREENWOOD)

I was particularly pleased to read the proposals in the bill for the expansion of the National Parole Board. I do not want to deal with this at length because it can be dealt with in detail at a later stage. I do want to emphasize that this system has worked and worked well. It has rehabilitated many people. But those responsible in this bill have worked with inadequate facilities and without a sufficient number of trained people to carry out the functions of supervisory parole. No arguments of economy should stop us from expanding this service which has been shown to be beneficial and, incidentally, a matter of sound economy as well. We create a sort of false economy when we cut down services of that sort. We condemn people to jail for long terms at great loss to their lives and great expense to the public. If we are to extend this system of parole we must also increase the funds available to those who are doing the actual job of supervising in the field.



*"I've got good news. Mother's term on the
parole board expires next week."*



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MISS NATIONAL PAROLE BOARD CONTEST



Congratulations to Louise Villeneuve on becoming Miss National Parole Board 1969. All the contestants were lovely and it was long and hard decision to choose "the one". The Judges had to make a choice between (left to right) Doreen Shouldice, Arlette Robinson, Louise Villeneuve (Miss National Parole Board), Jacqueline Lafontaine, Diane Blondin, Marlene Robinson and Ola Melnyczenko.

HEADQUARTERS

On March 26 Mr. André Therrien, the former Regional Representative of Montreal came to Headquarters as a Board Member. Mr. Therrien has been with the Parole Service 10 years. The new Board Member has his Master's in Criminology. He is Director of the Quebec Society of Criminology and is a member of the Canadian Corrections Association.

On August 15 Mr. William R. Outerbridge joined the Parole Board as a new Board Member. Mr. Outerbridge has his Master of Criminology from the University of California and His Master of Social Work from the University of Toronto. In the course of the past three years he has been an instructor with the extension department of the University of Toronto. His last appointment was as staff development supervisor with the department of the Attorney General of Ontario, responsible for all phases of staff development within the Ontario Probation Service.

We all hope that Mr. Therrien and Mr. Outerbridge both have a rewarding stay.

On June 30 Dr. Dent left the National Parole Board and we hope that he enjoys success in the future.

BITS-OF NEWS

Mr. Vincent is the proud father of a girl named Natasha and on February 6 André Ouellette became a new "daddy" of a 7 lbs girl — Kimberly Ann. On March 25 Mrs. Terry Rose, Supervisor of the "Transcribing Unit" (Pool) had an 8 lbs. 3 oz. boy whom she called Allen and Mrs. Ann Fulton of Notifications had a baby girl (7 lbs. 8 ozs.) on August 4 whom she is calling Carol Lynn.

Evelyn Davidson became Mrs. Gaston Crête on March 22 and in May transferred to the Department of Defence Production. Jackie Parent became Mrs. Dennis Miller on July 12 and left the Parole Service for Germany on August 15. We hope both couples have much happiness for many years.

Doreen Shouldice transferred to the Department of the Solicitor General in May; on August 15 Ola Melnyczenko left for the Department of the Solicitor General also and Louise McSorley (our first Miss National Parole Board) left on August 15 to take a position in the Privy Council. We wish them all the success in future.

There are quite a few new stenographers in the "Transcribing Unit"; Jo Anne Gorski from Renfrew, Trudy Gagne from Pembroke, Francine Scott and Peggy Souliere.

Andy Robertson from the Kingston Office came to Headquarters in July. He hails from Montreal and thus is a strong Alouette supporter and he therefore suffers a great deal. Someday they'll show everybody won't they!(!?)

Mrs. Elizabeth Reynolds is our new Records Manager. She has been in various departments, her last being the Department of Manpower and Immigration where she was a Records Improvement Officer working on Systems and Procedures.

Congratulations to Walford Reeves, our Information Officer and editor of "Insight", who was named top Public Relations man of the year by the Ottawa branch of the Canadian Public Relations Society, and awarded the President's medal.

We hope Doug Cumpson of headquarters likes his new position in the Kingston Office.

We would like to thank all the summer students who helped us in Headquarters this summer.

BOWLING BANQUET

The 1968-69 Executive posed for this picture "in memoriam". They are from left to right; Mrs. Ann Fulton, Secretary, Glen Foster, Vice President, Mrs. Jean Lett, Vice President, Ron Facette, President and Pierrette Cloutier, Treasurer. Stan MacDonald just made it from a visit out west to join his wife pictured here, so that he could enjoy the end of the Banquet.





Mr. and Mrs. Stan MacDonald

Everyone enjoyed themselves famously at the annual Bowling Banquet at the Talisman on May 16. Mr. Miller, Mr. Baxter, Lionel Routliffe (past president) Louise Villeneuve and Louise McSorley (Miss National Parole Board 1968) were invited to attend this delightful evening.

Some people from Headquarters were brave and tried the 40 mile walk in the Miles for Millions Walk on April 19. Congratulations must go to Ron Facette for being the only one to make the 40 miles. Next in the order of merit were; Pierrette Cloutier, 34 miles, Louise McSorley, 25½ miles, Lynda Firth 21½ miles and Lise Groulx, 20 miles.

Ola Melynczenko received this little poem, (I think as a slight hint) in February but it was well received and had the place of honour – on the wall beside her desk until she left for the Department of the Solicitor General.

OM's in a daze,
I think you'll agree
each letter without envelope
makes trouble you see.
Perhaps by her hero
she is dreaming to be kissed,
Tell her – for God's sake
come out of the mist!

ANON (we think it came from
a Supervisor whose duties
include the overseeing of
the despatching of the
mail)

I would like to thank my "boss", Stan MacDonald and all the other bosses on behalf of the secretaries for the roses and/or lunches we were given and were taken out to on April 23 in appreciation of our work. For those that didn't there's always "Secretaries Day" (April 23) next year.

Finally, from Headquarters – we hope everyone had a safe and happy vacation.

Lynda Firth

A banker gave this example to a customer when complaining about the youth of today who went against the establishment yet they did not offer any suggestions. A truck driver pulled into a roadside restaurant and ordered a dinner, dessert and coffee. Just then three motorcycle riders came into the restaurant and came over to him. One took his dinner, the other his dessert and the last his coffee. The truck driver calmly got up, paid his bill and went out of the restaurant. The waitress went over to the window and then returned. One of the motorcycle riders said that the truck driver wasn't much of a man because he didn't fight for his own meal. The waitress replied "He isn't much of a truck either, he just ran over three motorcycles on the way out".

KINGSTON

In January, I prepared several items for *Insight* which Mr. Edwards sent on to Mr. Reeves on January 13, 1969. These did not appear in the Jan., Feb., Mar. 1969 issue. However, I am submitting them again and hope that even though they may now appear as VERY "ancient history", they will be published in the next issue of *Insight* along with several other items of interest since the last issue.

A "flip" across the ocean was taken by "Aussie" and Dody Edwards during the month of September 1968 at which time they spent a delightful three weeks vacation touring England and Scotland.

Lou and Maureen Hung spent their 1968 summer vacation in England, also.

Charlie and Marion Brooks very kindly opened their home for the staff Christmas party which took the form of a pot luck supper. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend but I hear the food was delicious and a good time had by all. During the course of the evening an exchange of gifts took place which added to the hilarity of the evening. (These gifts were humorous items such as a whip for the Regional Representative, boxing gloves for Mac Stienburg, etc.).

Deepest sympathy of the Kingston Office staff to Mr. J. Sullivan in the loss of his mother on December 14, 1968. "Sully" was a former Parole Service Officer in the Kingston Office for over 6 years prior to his appointment as Regional Representative in the New Brunswick Office.

Mac Stienburg (Reverend, Sir!) has, since the New Year, given up smoking "fags" but (to the disgust of some of the girls in the office) has taken up smoking "stogies". Trying to keep up with the "boss", maybe—he (the "boss") smokes cigars, too!

Lou Hunt, we hear, has cut down on smoking cigarettes and is not inhaling when he smokes his pipe.

Come on, fellows, is this the best you can do? Santa should have left some Nikoban in your socks at Christmas!

It was reported in the Summer-Fall 1968 issue of *Insight* that Greta Morlock's son, Jim, was in Northern British Columbia. It is interesting to note that he is now "prospecting" in Kalgoorlie, West Australia. We certainly envied him basking in the sunshine on those chilly, below zero mornings.

REGIONAL OFFICE NEWS FROM JANUARY 1969 TO PRESENT DATE

Our office has been favoured with visits from several Very Important People during the past months.

After Christmas and well on into the New Year, "Mr. Flu Bug" liked us so well that he visited first one member of the staff and then another resulting in their absence for several days. Needless to say, we were pleased to see the last of this "pesky" visitor and hope he will not be back with us for some time.

Charlie Brooks was admitted to Hotel Dieu Hospital in the early hours of January 13, 1969. During this time, he underwent surgery and, among other things, acquired "china clippers" (upper denture). Following his early Spring check-up, he reported back "on the job" on the morning of Tuesday, February 18th, looking young and "healthy" with his slim and trim figure. Charlie, has lost 35 lb. to the envy of the "hefty" girls in the office who, incidentally, are all on diets which have, to date, not proved too successful. Welcome back, Charlie, and may your health continue to improve and your figure --well, enough said!!!! We beg of you, tell us the secret to losing all those pounds!

Despite the inclement weather on Jan. 30th, (rain, and icy conditions, ugh!), we were favoured by the visit to our office of the Chairman of the Board, Mr. T. George Street, who was accompanied by Dr. R. Dent, a new member of the Board.

February 6, 1969 – FLASH! MIRACLE IN MEDICAL HISTORY!

The Kingston Regional Representative is pregnant! "Aussie" Edwards has been troubled for some weeks with pains in his abdomen and has been having x-rays, it was decided that he should have another at a later date. The Doctor gave him the following appointment card:

OBSTETRIC IDENTIFICATION CARD			
Name	EDWARDS, C.A.M.		Age
Address	57 Richardson Drive,		
E.D.C.	Para.	Gr.	
Blood Type	Rh	Titer	Date
Prev. Rh + Preg.	4.15		7 Feb
Drug Sensitivities			
Physician			
City			Phone
DO NOT EAT SOLID FOOD AFTER LABOR BEGINS			

Mr. Edwards says that he has a swelling in his abdomen but had no idea that this is what it was.

When Mr. Edwards showed the above appointment card to his staff, it certainly caused quite a "howl" in the office for awhile. (The Doctor had really given Mr. Edwards the card with the appointment as shown above). We will report in a later issue on further developments—a boy?, a girl? or twins?? We are pleased to report at time of writing that "Aussie" Edwards is feeling much better. (We hope from now on he will not feel too uncomfortable until that "little bundle of joy arrives!!!!).

Seriously, though, Mr. Edwards has been suffering with pains in his abdomen and has been having x-rays. We all hope that he will be feeling much better very soon. (Thank you for letting us have a bit of fun at your expense, Mr. Edwards. You are a real sport!).

March 6, 1969 – Another V.I.P. visit to our office in the person of Col. P. Hart. Nice seeing you again, Colonel!

At the beginning of April, our "junior" Parole Service Officer, Andy Robertson, was admitted to hospital. We are pleased to report that he has been discharged and is feeling much better.

On May 1st, we moved from 525 King Street West to 440 King Street West. The building we now occupy is situated on old Military Headquarters, Canadian Forces Base property, which is approximately two blocks east of where we were. At first, we were not too happy about the "move" but now that we are here, we really do like it. The grounds are beautiful and we are beside the lake. A lovely spot to be in the summer! It is interesting to note that the undersigned began employment with the Department of National Defence (Ordnance Corps) on this same property on Aug. 13, 1942. I have just gone around in a circle--I wondered why I was so dizzy at times!

On June 11th, the staff members attended a noon luncheon at the Lakeview Manor Hotel at which time a presentation was made to Mary Burleigh (a member of the staff) who was departing to join the Penitentiary Services. Best of luck, Mary, we hope you like your new job.

Sheila Cotton joined the staff on June 13th. Sheila is the wife of Rev. J.E. Cotton. With a Minister (Mac Stienburg) and a minister's wife on the staff, we had better dust off our halos and set them properly in place.

National Parole Board Service will need no introduction to another "new" member of our staff, Douglas Cumpson, who joined our happy "family" on July 3rd.

We hope that Sheila and Doug will find their stay with us pleasant. We are sure they will find it interesting. Welcome aboard!

Two more V.I.P.'s visited the office on June 27th--Mr. A. Therrien and Dr. R. Dent.

On the same afternoon (June 27th) we had a little "party" for Dalia Yeo when she was presented with a cake and the best wishes of the staff for a pleasant vacation. Dalia and her husband are flying to the Scandinavian countries. We wish you both Bon Voyage!

On the evening of July 7th, "Aussie" and Dody Edwards very kindly permitted us to use their garden for a barbeque. During the course of the evening, Andy Robertson, the guest of honour, was presented with a cake and a Three-in-One-Golf-Putter Ash Stand. Happy "putting", Andy!

With such a gracious host and hostess and such a relaxed atmosphere, everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. We are deeply grateful to "Aussie" and Dody Edwards for their kindness to us.

Our best wishes to all National Parole Service employees for a very pleasant summer.

May your holidays be happy days,
Safe and accident free,
So, be very careful, it really pays,
This wish to you from me.

Mary Bell.



"I'M GOING HOME TO MOTHER AS SOON AS SHE GETS HER PAROLE."

"FORT" EDMONTON NEWS

Greetings to all our colleagues and friends within and without the Service from Alberta's largest district which, since the last issue, has been blessed by Mother Nature with a reprieve from the frigid arctic mantle which dogged us for so long that our staff members have learned to define infinity in three, short, adjectival expletives.

Bob Gillies has assured us several times that all other forms of animal life throughout our area have long since shaken off the lethargy associated with hibernation, including "homo sapiens" generally and "homo sapiens incarcerati" specifically. In these short but obviously erudite comments, one suspects that there is a veiled but nonetheless definite message for our tiny out-numbered garrison. The distaff side of our organization records the departure of Miss Lucille (A & W) Rioux for employment with the Public Service Commission in Edmonton. We were sorry to lose our efficient and exuberant mademoiselle and at the same time pleased to welcome Mrs. Veronica (Ronnie) O'Brien, who has brought a combination of wit, warmth and competence along with her on transfer from Cold Lake, Alberta, where she was secretary to the Commanding Officer of the Base Hospital.

The anti-marriage counsellor on our staff is on the verge of conceding defeat and total professional failure, with the recent discovery of the impending marriage of Miss Anne McCarthy in December. Those Ottawa Valley girls may be capable ST 4's but they are apparently highly vulnerable to Western male charm.

During the quarter Ottawa contributed, in its usual benevolent fashion, by sending us a graduate student in the person of Pat Quinn to reinforce our beleaguered ranks for the summer months. Pat is a graduate student from the University of Ottawa, who aspires to a Master's Degree in Correctional Administration next year. We hope that this pleasant and extremely able ambassador has not been indoctrinated with too many heretical theories during this sojourn and we wish him well for the future. During his stay he has been a credit to the Service as well as the Faculty of his Alma Mater. Regrettably, his driving skills were not nurtured as efficiently as his professional attributes, with disastrous results to the configuration of a recent vintage Buick convertible.

Coincidental with the arrival of the harbingers of summer, we were pleased to welcome a visit from Professor Robert Barrington of the University of Ottawa Criminology Department and a few days later a whirlwind tour by Mr. Andre Therrien of the Parole Board. Mr. Therrien was accompanied by Mr. Walford Reeves who, amongst other things, allegedly edits this newsletter. We enjoyed their short but relaxed stay during which Mr. Therrien made several public appearances and acquitted himself very well in his new role as a Board member. His fine Irish brogue shook the timbers but has not yet succeeded in raising (or is it razing) the Fort Gaol to a more appropriate functional level.

The Pony Express is galloping in for a fast pick-up so we will close this dispatch with best regards to all readers (and apologies to all whose sensitivity has been offended) until the next issue,

James W. MacLean.



Front row, left to right: Louise Villeneuve, Miss National Parole Board, Rachel Drouin, Miss Canadian Penitentiary Service; Mrs. Gayle Bisette, Miss Solicitor General. Back row, left to right: T. George Street, Chairman, National Parole Board; Diamond Lil (Miss Sylvia Thorne) one of the judges; E.A. Cote, Deputy Solicitor General.

MONCTON

The big news in the Moncton Office is the advance of the Sullivans. First there was one Sullivan, then there was another and then there was another. The second of the Sullivans to grace this fair citadel is one John L. acquired from Halifax at the expense of Canada Manpower on January 1, 1969. Subsequent to that Traci Lyn Sullivan appeared on the scene March 4, 1969. The father, the mother and Traci are all doing well in their respective roles.

Alas and alack! No longer can this office repeat to the world that it operates on the machinations, peregrinations, and idiosyncrasies, of three beautiful single girls. Miss Sharon Allen became Mrs. George Bourgeois on June 6, 1969. Now we can only say that we have two beautiful single girls and one beautiful married girl. There is only one single beautiful boy. Rumour has it that one of the other single beautiful girls intends to elope. This is strictly contrary to office procedure and if anything of this nature develops the R.R. will withhold absolution.

The mail situation in this office is in a constant state of confusion. Mr. John L. Sullivan is called Mr. J. Sullivan as is Mr. Justin Sullivan. Mr. Justin Sullivan recently moved and his old apartment was taken over by a Mr. John Wallace Sullivan. The mail which had already been confused in the office now became confused in the homes. A hastily called conclave between the confused participants had the following results. It was decided that Mr. J.W. Sullivan would retain his name. It was decided that Mr. J.L. Sullivan would retain his name. It was decided that Mr. J.P. Sullivan would change his name to Ho Chi Minh.

Miss Elaine Matchett spent her vacation in Toronto, Ontario. She was so intrigued with the capital of the Big Province that she may move up there to live. New Brunswick, of course, has no civic holiday although we are given credit of one day by the Federal Government as if New Brunswick had one. Out of deference to Miss Matchett's new found ambition we are making August 4th our civic holiday. Miss Matchett said that she did not have time to visit the Toronto Office although she has no objection to a bus(t) woman's holiday.

Miss Margaret Meunier who is representative of our Acadian French heritage is a lady of many talents. Among them, as you might well imagine, is cooking. She has a rare offer for all our readers. Just enclose a self-addressed stamped



envelope along with the label from a bottle of Newfoundland Screech and she will send you her secret recipe for poutine rapees. This offer is for a limited time only.

Since the last edition of *Insight* we have moved into our new offices. They are the most elegant parole offices that I have seen in the country. (Of course, I have not seen them all). Not only are they elegant they are located within a hundred yards of the railroad station which is handy for the R.R. in case something goes wrong. We are located beside Moncton's brand new fancy shopping mall which contains, among other things, two bars and a pool. We might say that we are in the swin.

Mr. MacNeil and Mr. Rowcliffe extend best wishes to all their readers and pledge alliance to the cause until the beautiful Petitcodiac River turns blue.

Justin Sullivan.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

As per usual the Vancouver office has been busy with social activities and office activities.

Social Activities:

Our Annual Spring Equinox party was held in March at the Home of D.L.G. Dryden.

In June a farewell party for Dragon Cernetic was held at the home of Al Byman. A pool party was planned but was rained out. Our spirits were not dampened in the least and the party went on as scheduled, indoors.

Dragon Cernetic left the Vancouver office in July to open a new District Office in Prince George, B.C. He will be the District Officer in Charge of the new office. Just prior to his departure the Vancouver office staff presented Dragon with a framed scroll of the Canadian Bill of Rights to brighten his new office.

Office News:

James Brown joined the Service last fall. He recently decided parole work was not his bag and resigned in August to take up the position of Acting Director of the Mental Health Clinic in Cranbrook, B.C.

In May, Bill Worster joined our staff as summer intern. Bill will be returning to U.B.C. in the fall to complete his Master of Social Work degree. Bill's cheerful, witty nature has been an asset in our office.

In June, Bob Lusk joined our staff. Bob was with the B.C. Provincial Probation Staff for four years prior to becoming an officer in our Service.

Maureen Palfryman was also on the staff of the B.C. Provincial Probation Service for two years prior to joining our staff in July.

Frank Mullally, his wife Fran and their baby spent their annual leave in England in July.

Jacque Marlor, clerk, has resigned as of August 31, 1969. Jacque plans to return to Vancouver City College this fall to complete courses that will enable her to enter U.B.C. where she plans to enter Social work.

In June the Canadian Congress of Corrections was held in Vancouver. The Congress gave several of our officers the opportunity to meet Miss Lynch and Mr. Therrien of our Board and other members of our Service who attended the Congress. It was also an opportunity for some of us to renew old acquaintances.

We all look forward to each publication of Insight.

COFFEE BREAK



Seated left to right: Marion Yaremy, Dragan Cernetic, Al Byman, Bob Lusk.

Standing: Jim Brown, Kyle Stevenson.

DRAGON'S FAREWELL



Left to right seated: Elaine Wilson (formerly at Headquarters) Jacquelyn Marlor; Joan Conlon, Dragan Cernetic, Jennie Fanning, Vi Blevings.

FUTURE PSO?



Frank Mullally and Allison

CALGARY

The Calgary Regional Office has just experienced a better than 100% increase in staff and, in the time honored tradition of Commanding Officers and their Lieutenants, the undersigned, one of the new staff, "volunteered" his services to render Calgary's column of Insight for this edition.

Of the new staff, Lois Sloan is the most beautiful single addition to our beautiful married stenos. Lois graduated from Business College this year and claims that this is her first secretarial job.

Richard Colling, a graduate of the University of Calgary in 1967, worked for two years with the Department of Welfare in southern Alberta. Prior to that, Rick flew both jets and desks during an 8-year stint with the R.C.A.F. A history major, Rick should be well equipped to do battle with the viable civil service anachronism.

Paul McMullin graduated from the University of Alberta in psychology and spent 1½ years with the Government of Alberta Probation Services in Lethbridge. Married, Paul is the proud father of almost two kids.

Gordon Parry graduated from the University of Saskatchewan in psychology and spent the last year with the Provincial Probation Service in Edmonton.

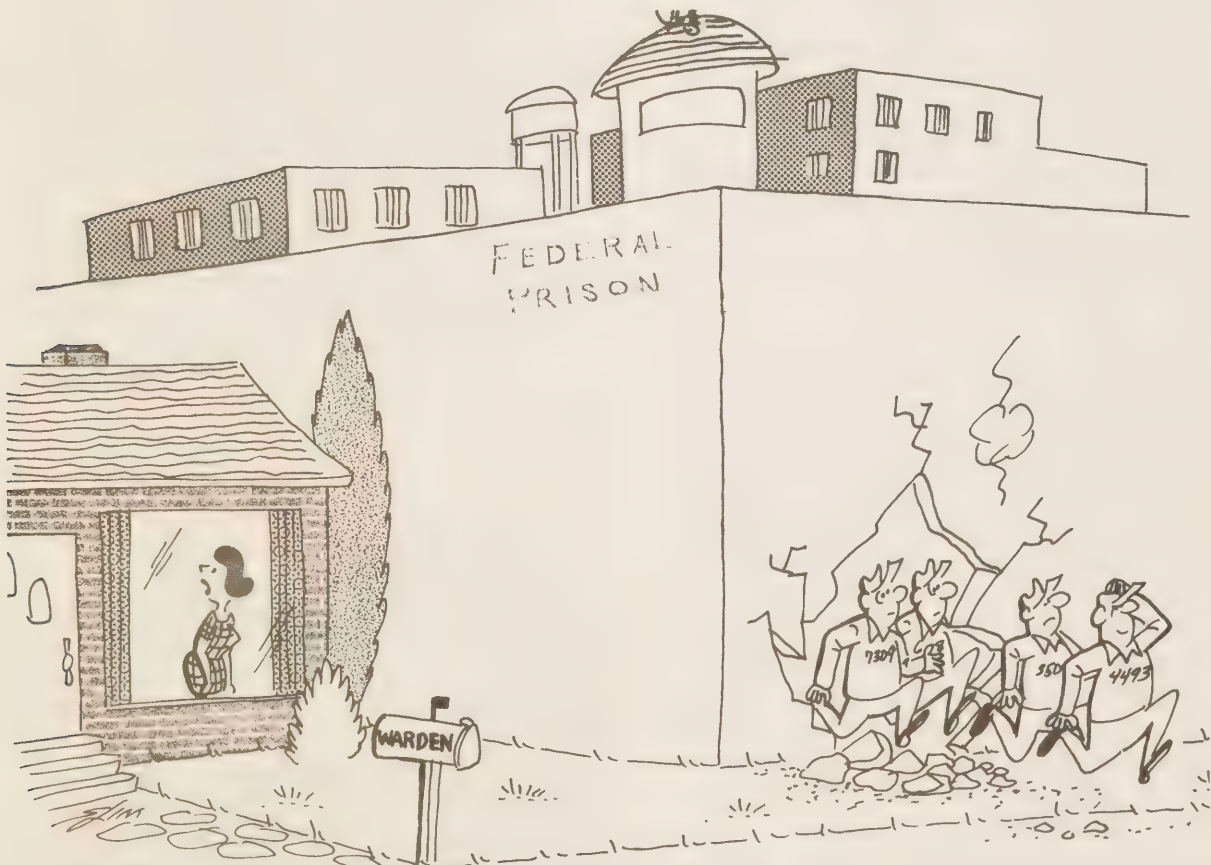
Judging from the list of new appointments which circulated the office a while ago, it would seem that the Probation to Parole progression is as popular with the officers as with their clients.

The Calgary Office hosted Board Member Andre Therrien and P.R.O. Walford Reeves for a day in late June as a part of their whirlwind tours. The Drumheller and Calgary institutions were toured, in addition to a short excursion to the mountains.

Norm Jackson and Ron Harshman will both be attending university in the Fall on a full-time basis. Norm will be finishing his M.S.W. and Ron will be completing his work on his Masters degree in Clinical Psychology.

The Stampede just having ended and the blue jeans and cowboy hats back in mothballs, the staff is walking very softly and talking quietly as the recovery process goes into high gear (at last).

G. Parry



"DEAR! --- YOUR PEN IS LEAKING AGAIN!"

GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS FROM OTTAWA – HULL

What a switch! No longer were we three. Indeed, the Summer Season has seen our tribal teepee mushroom to include as many as five new braves. Alas! 'tis but for a short while for most.

One thing for sure, we have another girl. Danièle Vallée is her name and she comes to us in the "Valley" from Sherbrooke, Québec. Previously employed at the Prudential Life Insurance Company for three years, Danièle had few notions of life in our big, happy, bureaucratic family. Her first impressions:— "I like meeting the people" and case files on women; "travelling expenses are impossible"; "where can I find that file"; CHIEF BEEF: PS-52s; CHIEF CONTRIBUTION: (this according to the undersigned!) — instant justification for her "immediate supervisor's previous monologues.

Then came the Summer Students work teams. To lead the ball, Jean-Marc Plouffe who comes to us from the Centre of Criminology at Ottawa U. It is Jean-Marc's first 24-hour job ... He has travelled already over 1,000 miles and walked close to 25 to the parking meters. His chief complaint: "What office do I use now?"

Mr. Lorry Paulhus also spent some time with us. During the short month he was here, he said he enjoyed our working harmony, however, he remembers best searching for our unofficial precedents and asking, "How do you do things in this office?". You see, Mr. Paulhus is from our "Procedures Manualized" Headquarters. To Mr. Paulhus, a word of thanks for relieving us of some of those "sought-after?" driving cases.

Number 3. Summer Student is Jag Uppal also from the Centre of Criminology. Jag has been with us for a short time only, but says he is well aware by now what is a Part I and a Part II; is able to control giggling secretaries with his "anti-giggle" pills, and can keep you happy with some of those strange little whiskey candies he hides in his drawer which have an alcohol content of .000½ and are supposed to "turn you on". We're still waiting ...

Our "½" Parole Officer and Newfoundland "screech-er" is none other than Reg. Ryan. While completing a Master's thesis at Ottawa U., Reg has been able to take on a few of our supervision cases. He is posted at H.Q. but is sometimes called to visit the office.

Our prodigal son is Alfred "Freddy" Paulin, transferred since June from the Sudbury Office. An

Acadian French, Alfred heaves a sigh of relief as he re-enters a world of "à la française". As the molding to the new office takes place, Alfred's main critic:— "a transfer is similar to any new job regarding adjustment to a new routine", CHIEF CONCERN: a new Dodge Swinger, but we ask Alfred, "can you easily swing her?"

As for our older crew — Jean Paul Lupien is away on field placement at the Leclerc Institution for the Centre of Criminology at Ottawa U., where he has completed his first year toward the Master's Degree. (more room in the office for the Summer Students!) . Jean-Paul relates that he has occupied a variety of positions in the Institution at all levels of the administration and finds the experience worthwhile. Says it's a good place to visit but, "I wouldn't want to live there ...". During his moments of leisure, Jean-Paul takes to coasting customized wrecks downhill, backwards, no brakes and a blown reverse gear.

Concerning our "High See", Gilles Bédard, his arm has been in a cast for over two weeks as a result of an annoying little episode during which he placed his finger at the wrong spot and at the wrong time. Same old story!

Most of all, he still mourns his old Chev Station Wagon sold in an instant following guess what — the back pay. "She was so good to me". I say it was Irish luck alone. So if any of you want to know where it really hurts, just ask Gilles Bédard about his dearly departed Station Wagon and his views on his present car. He'll entertain you for hours ...

So here endeth our humble contribution for the present Insight. We hope you enjoy it, it has been a pleasure telling you about it.

Pierrette Cloutier

La population a augmenté Durant les mois d'été Au Service National de la Parole Pour le District d'Ottawa-Hull

Sortie de la Prudentielle de Sherbrooke comme d'une fosse aux lions,

Danièle, à Ottawa voudrait faire des millions. Elle vient brouter dans la "vallée" outaouaise Car pour devenir riche, il faut avant tout être "wise". Mais Trudeau mettra-t-il fin à toutes ses illusions Pour régler son problème d'inflation??

L'étudiant Jean-Marc Plouffe fait la navette
Entre son bureau et les parcomètres,
Complétant des soumissions et payant des tickets.
A propos, qui veut acheter un très bon "Comet"?

Il faudrait être bien injuste
Pour oublier Monsieur Paulhus,
Qui, armé d'une longue expérience militaire
Est venu faire un stage sous nos bannières.

Avec son noble profil princier,
Jag Uppal fut notre petit dernier.
Plusieurs choses, il a maîtrisées:
Partie I, Partie II et le français:
"Bonjour mademoiselle, Bonjour Monsieur
Comment ça va? et (censuré ! !...)

Notre enfant prodigue, Alfred Paulin,
Nous est revenu de très loin,
Toujours en quête de plus de foin!
Dis, Alfred, comment va ta Dodge Swinger?
Can you easily swing her? . . .

Puis, vient ensuite notre ami Réginald
Qui, avec son français ne s'en tire pas mal
Lorsqu'il dit à la "Ryan":
"On vas-tu aux" bines "?"

Monsieur Jean-Paul Lupien, un de nos pionniers
A passé l'été à l'ombre dans un grand pénitencier
Pendant que notre "En Charge" s'est handicapé
D'un bras tout emplâtre
Pour avoir mis son doigt
Là où il n'avait pas le droit

Dites donc, Monsieur Bédard, quand doit finir le
deuil
De votre bonne Station Wagon, sacrifiée en un clin
d'oeil
Pour cette nouvelle "Chev", porte-bonheur,
porte-malheur
Qui du Back Pay a eu les grands honneurs

Danièle Vallée

WINNIPEG

There have been many staff changes since the last Insight. In spite of our protestations, Gary Hamblin left to join the Provincial Dept. of Health where he will be able to undertake Social Work studies for the next two years. Rien Begieneman received his M.S.W. and then transferred to the Dept. of Indian Affairs in Lethbridge; Florence Stewart also transferred, and Manpower's gain was our loss. And now Jim Phelps is leaving us to open the Brandon office. The only compensation for these departures is that they are good excuses for office parties!

Newcomers to our staff are Marie Seewald, a bilingual "fille" from St. Boniface; Terry Sawatsky, a recent graduate of the University of Manitoba; and Dennis Wiginton, an import from Toronto. The latter two came to us as bachelors but we lost Terry to a beautiful blonde when he was married in June. We will keep you all posted on Dennis' marital status.

The coffee pot was on for several visitors and we hope they will come to see us again – Mr. Leroux, Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Wright, Mr. Kur, and Mr. Dumaine. We don't know where the P.S.O.'s took them for lunch but they seem to have enjoyed the food (?) .

Our Mr. Rempel and Mr. Phelps greatly enjoyed the hospitality of the western offices when they went to the Training Conference at Banff and the Corrections Association meeting in Vancouver. They're all for more inter-office visits!

Margaret Scott

ST. JOHN'S, NFLD.

Hello from Newfoundland! Mr. Evans is presently on vacation and I have John Unroe (complete with beard) from our Halifax office here with me. I'm doing all I can to educate him to our ways!

Our office is going to expand in the near future. We were very pleased to learn that Reg Ryan, a native Newfoundlander, will be returning to work here with us. Just goes to show that they can't stay away from "The Rock" even though we have lots of fog, rain and cold weather. Hope I don't put you off Reg!

Mr. MacDonald from our Halifax office was down here on a flying visit to interview staff applicants in June and I don't think he appreciated being fogged in at Gander overnight. Well I daresay it had its compensations! Mr. Evans was on the same plane as he had been up to Halifax. The fighting Newfoundlander spirit showed through as he braved the elements to come home by car from Gander – a distance of 205 miles arriving at about 5:30 a.m.. To beat it all he was in the office by 9:00 a.m. and out to the airport to meet Mr. MacDonald at 10:20 a.m..

So long for now but you shall hear from us again next edition.

Roseanne MacDonald

HAMILTON

Due to pressure of work (as good an excuse as any) we did not submit an item for the #3 issue of *Insight*. As we in this office really enjoy reading *Insight* we would not wish to deprive other regions of our news.

During the last six months we have had almost a complete turnover of staff and this item will serve to introduce them.

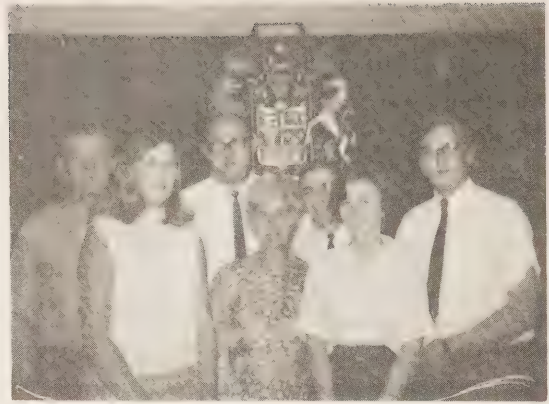
Mr. Arthur Kloepper commenced his appointment as Regional Representative in August, 1968. He came from the position of Regional Superintendent of Welfare, Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development in Fort Smith, Northwest Territories. It took some real adjusting to the hot weather of Hamilton but one would gather that he is highly delighted to be in this part of the world as he was often heard to remark "I love this hot, hot country".

John Parker joined our staff as a Parole Service Officer in January, 1969. He recently acquired a house in the garden area of Grimsby. Although he is quite pleased with the house and the orchards he still misses the sea and is trying to compensate for this by tootling off to Burtch in a T.R. Triumph.

Mr. Patrick Wood also joined our staff as a Parole Service Officer in January, 1969. Mr. Wood transferred from the Department of Manpower and Immigration in Newfoundland where he was on Mission Impossible trying to match up Newfie's to jobs (another NEWFOUNDLAND JOKE)? He is an eligible bachelor and is reputed to be searching for a wife in the Hamilton area (or running from) but it is still Mission Impossible.

Last, but not least, as far as the male members of our staff are concerned, Mr. Anthony Rogerson joined our group on the 7 July to fill a very much needed position of Parole Service Officer. Previous to this date Mr. Rogerson was working in the Provincial Probation Department of Ontario in Sudbury!!! He is very glad to have returned to civilization. As Mr. Rogerson is the third member of our staff to hail from England we shall soon be hoisting a Union Jack.

Now for the steno's. In June Mrs. Iris Sloan was elevated to the rank of ST4 and on the strength of this, at least it would seem that way, returned to visit her native England for three weeks. She returned full of the joys of spring and one can only assume that things in England are really looking up.



Back Row:

*Mr. John Parker, Mr. Arthur Kloepper
Mr. Patrick Wood, Mr. Anthony Rogerson.*

Front Row:

*Mrs. Brenda Rutherford, Mrs. Iris Sloan
Miss Linda Lewis.*

Miss Linda Lewis who has been with us now for 2½ years will be leaving at the end of August to be married. From the looks of Linda's calendar (she has been marking off every day since the beginning of the year) and as she is marrying the boy of her dreams, she should be very happy. The only fly in the ointment is that Linda plans to live in Oshawa and says she will be joining the ranks of the unemployed if she cannot obtain a transfer.

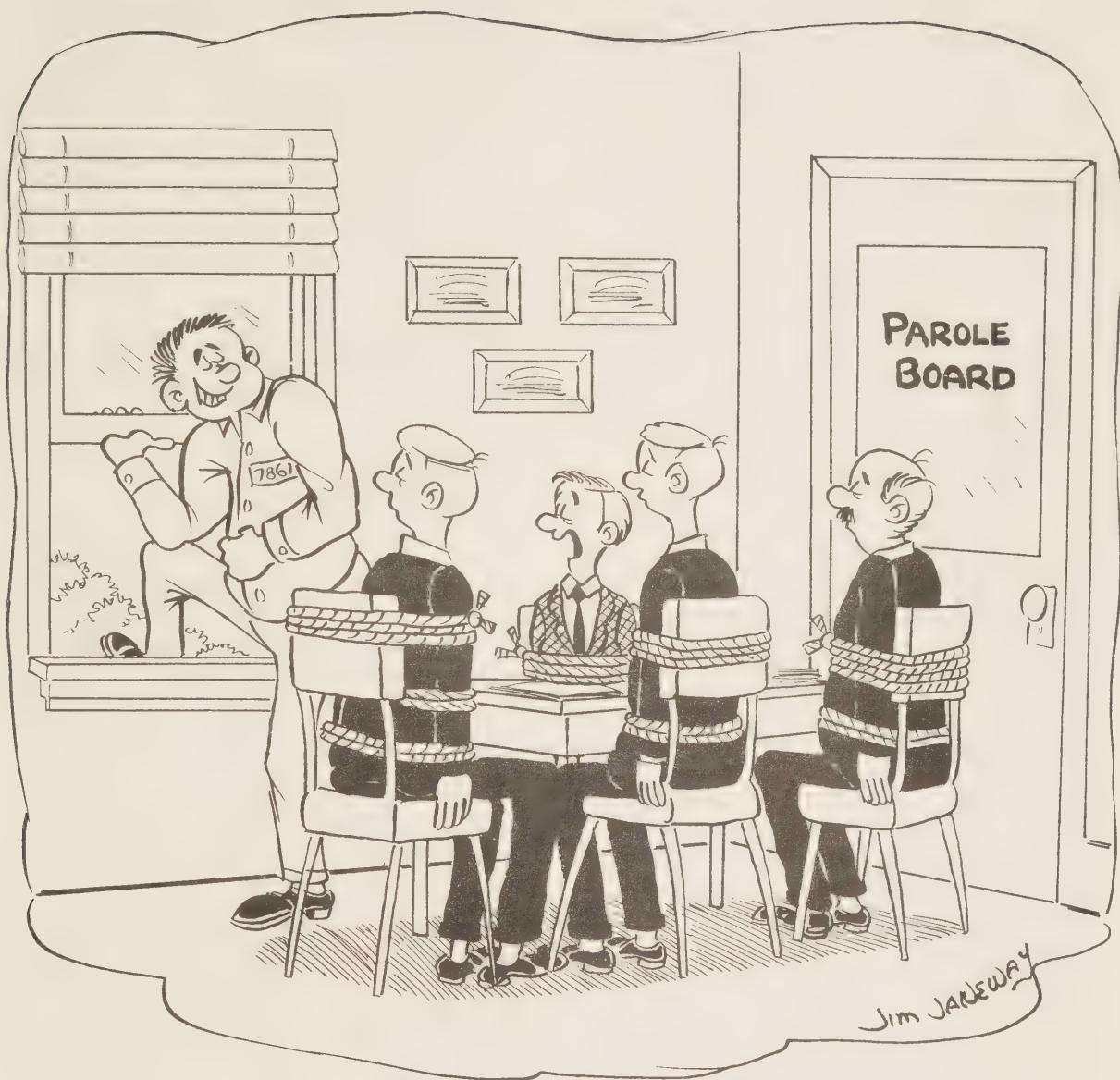
Mrs. Brenda Rutherford, a newly wed, joined us on the 21 May. As Brenda is very outgoing and has a sense of humour she should fit in very well.

This is all there ain't no more until next time.

Iris Sloan.



"I'LL BET YOU TWO YEARS AGAINST YOUR KEYS."



"DO YOU REALISE JONES, THIS COULD AFFECT YOUR CHANCES FOR PAROLE?"

REGINA

After several months of representations and vain pleas, the Regina regional office has at last been brightened by the addition of Mrs. Ethel Light to the stenographic staff. Ethel has had several years of secretarial experience, but in recent years has been occupied looking after her farmer husband and four teen-agers. Now that these fledglings are about ready to try their own wings, she has joined Dora Mahoney to help look after Keith Wright and Bruno Radigk. On account of all these new regulations, Bruno's overtime and travelling expenses are areas of major concern at the moment, with Dora making desperate and futile attempts to "pin him down"!

Ethel was no sooner settled in, with the new desk and typewriter here at last, than our trusty old coffee-maker conked out. (We hasten to assure you that this was purely co-incidental.) A shiny new coffee-maker is now a fact, and when we get over hassling about who is to pay for it (We stenos still haven't got our increase!), we shall be in a position to demonstrate that "regular grind" can refer to more than the type of coffee we use. So come, institutional authorities — make up your minds who was involved in the riot of April 5th and 6th and who was not; and come, all you candidates — submit your applications and representations, and let's make our submissions to the Board before someone decides to stage another riot!

On account of the Air Canada strike and his tight schedule, Mr. Leroux's visit to our office on May 16th was sort of an "on again, off again, gone again" affair, and we stenos didn't even see him (after going to all that trouble to have a fresh hairdo and manicure). However, we are assured that he was in the office for an evening session. Perhaps next time we'll be fortunate enough to set eyes on him.

STOP THE PRESS!

On Friday, May 30th, we had the opportunity of meeting Paul Hart, our Administration and Personnel Director. Although Mr. Hart came to Regina on a sorrowful errand, — to bury his wife's mother, — he took time off his strenuous schedule to come in and cheer us all up, assuring us (1) that our raises are forthcoming, and (2) that our office will be expanding in the near future. We take this opportunity of extending our sympathy to him, his wife and family, and expressing the hope that he will soon come back again, on a happier occasion.

Ethel Light.

PRINCE ALBERT

If I have any complaint about *Insight*, it is only the fact that every third time around, I am editor for the Prince Albert office. But when I recall the shouts of glee heard from the staff, which only the arrival of the latest issue of *Insight* can bring about, then I feel I really must sit down and work on my contribution to the cause. So although we've said it before, we'll say it again: Congratulations to everyone for the wonderful job they are doing, I'm certain it's appreciated in all N.P.S. offices from Coast to Coast.

Although summer is coming to us in low gear, and we're still waiting for that gloriously warm weekend to swim and bask in the sun (Art Rowe, however, has already received a dunking in our cold waters, instigated by our other officer, Jim Coflin), plans are nevertheless being made by several members of the staff for summer vacations. Where they went and how they behaved during that time will be available in the next issue of *Insight*.

Some of the happenings in the Prince Albert office in the last few months have been the attendance of our two officers, Art Rowe and Jim Coflin, at the Staff Training Seminar at Banff and the attendance of Mr. Ed Carleton at the Regional Representatives' Conference in Vancouver. Glorious comments were heard regarding the scenery and the weather, but we are still somewhat in the dark about other aspects of these sessions. We also received a visit from Mr. R. Kur and Mr. J. MacLean of our Edmonton office, who had their first tour of a federal institution and conducted their first interviews in said institution. Our thanks, gentlemen, for the helping hand, and it was nice meeting you.

Jim Coflin has recently left to commence a summer class in Criminology, at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon. A farewell was accorded him in the form of a staff social gathering, enjoyed by all. Our best wishes for his success are extended to him.

At this point, with nothing further to add, I conclude my report.

Yvette Coroy.

REFLECTIONS OF THE LATEST ADDITION
(to the stenographic staff)

*The subject is recidivist, ambivalent and surly,
The subject's had no home life, and was rejected
early.*

*The subject gets involved in crime because he
likes to drink;
He has very little insight, and he doesn't stop to
think.*

*The subject since an early age has been known
to the police;
Prognosis now is poor, and no one recommends
release.
He's rated psychologically – I.Q. is eighty-four –
Reports of this are in the file in triplicate or more.*

*The subject tends to rationalize, manipulate and
swear,
The subject's lost remission, and he doesn't seem
to care.
Employment's been sporadic, court charges not
a few –
Associates could be to blame – peer groups are
doubtful too.*

*The subject has a lengthy file – How will the
history end? –*

*Perhaps incarcerated his remaining days he'll
spend.*

*The subject's case is dreary – he has muffed it
every time;*

*Maturation's been delayed, though verbalizing
fine.*

*The subject has no one who cares to take his
case in hand;*

*His reputation is so poor – street life he could
not stand.*

*No home, no job, no hopes, no dreams, no future
and no friends –*

Everything is negative, and here the story ends.

*The subject might have made the grade, the same
as you or I,*

If there had been an object on whom he could rely.

*Had the subject been the object of one person's
love and care,*

*He never would have been reduced to subject
matter here!*

E. Light.



Our Solicitor General, George McIlraith, remains clean-shaven even though beards were very much in evidence this year at the Canadian Congress on Corrections in Vancouver. Left to right, Kyle Stevenson, our regional representative in Vancouver and chairman of the Congress; Mr. McIlraith; Frank P. Miller, our Executive Director and new Chairman of the National Committee, Canadian Corrections Association.

FROM OUR FILES

Carl and his partner were both users of narcotics and were both facing charges of shopbreaking and possession of stolen goods. They were out on bail when they met two other men facing similar charges who asked them to join in a bank robbery.

One of the men proposed they travel to another city and rob a bank to get the money they would all need for legal fees when their various cases came up.

Carl protested slightly about getting mixed up in this unlikely-sounding escapade but in the end went along with it. In fact, he even named a bank they might rob.

Carl's name has been changed but the incidents in this National Parole Board case are true.

According to Carl, the offence was planned by the two non-addicts who also supplied the weapons — three pistols and a sten gun.

The robbery itself was a success. The organization and deftness of the offence pointed to a clear-headed, physically sure and daring leader. It did not seem likely that this person was either Carl or his partner.

R.C.M.P. information revealed they were both using drugs heavily at the time and could not have managed the details of such a robbery. Moreover, both were apprehended shortly after the crime. The very fact that these two men were foolish enough to stay in an area where they and their activities were well known by the underworld and its informers clearly suggests the two men still at large were a little smarter.

Carl was sentenced to nine years in prison for armed robbery, possession of narcotics and breaking, entering and theft.

It was the prison group therapy sessions with other addicts that provided the means with which Carl could gain an insight into his problems. The psychologist noted that Carl's participation was active and constructive and that he was the one who got the most out of the therapy sessions.

At his own request, Carl was transferred to Collin's Bay Penitentiary to learn barbering. Although that institution generally does not accept addicts, it was felt that barbering would suit Carl's personality and would contribute effectively to his rehabilitation.

Carl was paroled after serving four years of his sentence with a parole period of four years ahead of him.

By allowing an inmate to live in the community with supervision and counselling, over a period of

time, parole ensures that the parolee has the greatest opportunity to re-adjust to society. Carl was offered employment in the industrial firm for which he had worked before his offence and was given a place to stay in the home of his younger brother.

There was a great deal of speculation and debate as to the desirability of Carl's re-establishing his relationship with his wife. The Parole Board advised Carl, in the light of both his own feelings about the relationship and a psychologist's assessment, immediate contact with his wife would have a very negative effect on him.

It was further decided that a period of individual therapy during the first year or so would help him adjust to society. During this time he could view his marital future from a rational rather than an emotional standpoint. As a result, when Carl and his wife did get together again, Carl was able to cope with marriage and had an understanding of the problems and responsibilities connected with it.

After two years, the police in the city noted they had not heard any rumours or information regarding Carl. They remarked that this was unusual with a person connected with his offence and his type of underworld friends.

Carl's employers commented on the noteworthy contribution he had made in organizing juvenile sports activity in the area and in setting up an organized sports program within the company.

But there were incidents that could have had his parole revoked. One major violation occurred when Carl was arrested in another city. He did not have permission to visit that city, he was drunk, and in the company of two ex-inmates.

The Parole Board immediately suspended his parole. But the receipt of a detailed report from Carl's supervisor shed new light upon the offence.

The report contained a detailed analysis and interpretation of Carl's behaviour. While not excusing Carl's actions, his supervisor concluded that revocation of his parole would destroy all the rehabilitative work done up to that point.

It also pointed out that if Carl were not back at his job within a certain period, his employers would be forced to let him go.

The Parole Board, acting quickly on this information, decided the parole be continued. Carl, who had been in jail for two weeks awaiting his fate, was back at his job in time.

Carl completed his parole successfully. He is considered completely rehabilitated due to close professional supervision. Without this help, Carl may have never gained the insight he needed to find his way back into society.



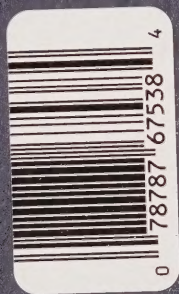
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